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A Common Paper for Common People

Gift Buying Shows Brisk Uptrend As Christmas Time Approaches

This week finds the shelves of local firms dwindling as the Yuletide season approaches Christmas time. This year's buying has been brisk despite the war and adverse conditions. Many familiar articles are missing, but suitable substitutes have been found to take their place.

The buying of bonds and stamps has overshadowed all other gift buying. Bonds are being bought as gifts and will serve two purposes. In the first place the Government needs the money to carry on the war effort. And then, who wouldn't appreciate a Bond in their stocking for Christmas! Bonds make wonderful gifts, so don't over-look this important item when you are remembering a loved one.

The more practical gifts are leading the sales as people realize more and more the necessity of buying useful and needed items.

NO LIONS MEETING NEXT WEEK

The Clarendon Lions Club will skip their regular meeting next Tuesday and as in previous years, give the money usually paid for meals, to the Goodfellow organization here. The next meeting will be on January 2nd.

FATHER OF CARRIE DAVIS PASSES AWAY IN OKLA.

Word has been received of the death of W. H. Davis of Fletcher, Okla., father of Miss Carrie Davis of this city. Mr. Davis died this Thursday morning from a heart ailment.

Mrs. H. R. Beck and Mrs. Millard Word attended a Christmas program last week of the Mozart Club at Amarillo of which Mrs. Word is a charter member. Mrs. Word played two songs which she had composed with Mrs. Tom Wilkins singing.

Sgt. Robt. Brame Fighting On Leyte

WITH THE FIRST CAVALRY DIVISION ON LEYTE — Sometimes there's only one way to spot enemy guns, and that's by standing up and letting them shoot at you. That was the job of Sergeant Robert A. Brame of Clarendon, Texas, and his platoon.

A Jap reinforced company held a Philippine ridge with four machineguns and rifles. Three times Brame's troop assaulted and was pinned. The cavalrymen were unable to spot the Jap guns. Brame's platoon left their heavy machineguns and moved forward up the slope to draw enemy fire. As they drew close to the Jap guns, they were pinned flat by the heavy fire, but observers had at last spotted the enemy guns. All that night, with the information received, squat mortars heaved shells into the Jap lines, firing at five minute intervals until dawn. In the morning a fifth and successful attack was launched. The Jap guns and dugouts had been smashed into the earth.

Sergeant Brame is the son of Mrs. R. A. Brame of Clarendon, and a graduate of Clarendon high school. An ex-farmer, Brame joined the army in 1941 and received basic training at Fort Brown, Brownsville, Texas. He then joined the First Cavalry Division at Fort Bliss, Texas, and came overseas in 1943. Brame, a veteran of the Admiralty Islands campaigns, has two brothers in the navy and one in the army.

SERVICES HELD FOR MAXIE NELSON SATURDAY

Funeral services were held last Saturday afternoon at the Womack Funeral Chapel for Maxie Layton Nelson with Rev. Hal Upchurch officiating.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Nelson of Ashtola, was born November 28, 1944 and passed away at a local hospital Dec. 16.

Surviving besides the parents are one brother, Paul Gene, one sister, Nina Inez; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Nelson and Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Osborn of Fullbright, Texas.

Burial was in Citizens Cemetery with Womack Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

WAR BONDS ARE SAFE

About the safest and the surest thing in this world of uncertainties is a war bond issued by the United States Government. Here is an investment worth as much in a depression as a boon. It is backed by all the wealth of America. If lost or destroyed in any way it can always be replaced.

First of all is this matter of safety. A war bond is as safe as the dollar bill in your pocket. The same security guarantees payment of both. At the end of 10 years you are certain to get 100 good solid American dollars for every 75 invested.

Next is the guaranteed cash redemption values of war bonds. In any emergency, the owner can always convert to cash without loss. You can look on your bonds now and see what they will be worth at any future date. These values will never be influenced by the ups and downs of the financial market. A farmer with money invested in these bonds always has financial insurance against the "hazard year".

Last, but not least, there is no danger of losing your money if it is invested in war bonds. These bonds are registered in the name of the owner or co-owners. If stolen, they are no good to the thief. If stolen, burned or destroyed or lost in any way, the Treasury will issue duplicate bonds free of charge.

No investment is quite so safe as a war bond, yet these bonds pay the highest rate of interest of any government securities now available.

Many of us hold money and savings for use in emergency. Was there ever an emergency more serious than the one our fighting men are trying to resolve at this moment? Was there ever an emergency not only in the national sense, but in a personal sense, that we should move more aggressively to meet? We at home can help meet this emergency through the purchase of war bonds.

Yes, and what's more, not only are we privileged to enlist our dollars for fighting service, but we have a guarantee backed by the faith and credit of the United States Government for their safe return.

All E Bond sales reported to the Treasury before New Year's count toward that all-important E Bond quota. Let's send the word around the world to our fighting men and to our enemies, also, that once again we have reached and surpassed a war loan goal. Don't let this week go by without buying that extra bond.

NO PARALLEL

After reading of strikes in various lines of industry over the most trivial causes, while millions of our boys who depend upon production at home are battling for their lives, one lacks words to express condemnation of such practices. And then when one hears the leaders of men who strike, describe them as "soldiers in the army of production," one becomes almost nauseated. With all due respect to the workers on the home front, there is not the slightest basis for comparing them with the soldiers.

To begin with, the worker on the home front enjoys short hours, high pay and is his own boss. If he works a minute overtime, he gets time and a half or double pay. If he wants to quit and go fishing, he stays away from work. If any little thing bothers him, he quits. If one of his labor bosses can't get what he wants soon enough from duly constituted authorities for settling grievances, a hundred workers, a thousand workers, ten thousand workers or fifty thousand workers walk off the job, regardless of the needs of the armed forces. During this time, the worker lives at home with his family.

Compare this to the life of a soldier. His base pay is \$50 a month, his hours are anything that occasion demands. His work week is as many days as it takes to do the job. He doesn't lay off to go fishing. He doesn't quit his company if his officers happen to ruffle him. He doesn't strike. He doesn't live at home with his family. But month after month, and year after year, he lives in surroundings which no home front worker would voluntarily accept for a moment. On top of this, his life is constantly at stake.

If a soldier disobeys orders, he is subject to court martial, with imprisonment or execution—the verdict depending upon the offense. The home front worker, when he disobeys orders, suffers no penalty, and when he strikes, is in most cases actually rewarded by higher wages or some other device to induce him to return to work.

The least one can say is that the term "soldiers in the army of production" is a misnomer that any honest workman should shy away from, because his activity bears not the slightest resemblance to the activity of a soldier.

We, here in Donley County, are not in sympathy with strikers whose actions are brought about by greed and dissatisfaction while our fighting men are going through the very throes of hell to preserve the freedom and liberty which is at stake. Every minute — every hour that a strike is on — breaks faith with our fighting men who are depending on the production line to keep them well armed, fed and clothed to defeat the enemy on the battle field. Let us keep the faith and keep it well, lest our American way of life disintegrate through failure of the home front to deliver the goods.

FIFTH STAR FOR LOCAL FAMILY'S WINDOW

Pvt. William Jacobs is now stationed for his seventeen weeks of basic training in the army, at Camp Wolters, near Mineral Wells.

He volunteered for service in November and was called the 3rd of this month. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Jacobs of near this city.

His brothers are Pvt. Carrol, Pfc. John H. (Pete) both now overseas, Flight Sgt. W. George, and Aerial Engineer Newell Jacobs.

Their many friends wish them luck and a quick return!

\$10 BILL LOST IN POST OFFICE RETURNED TO OWNER

In last week's issue of the Leader, Henry Williams ran a classified advertisement for a \$10 bill which was lost several days previous in the lobby of the Post Office. It seemed unbelievable that it would be returned, but we know now that there is at least one honest man in Donley county, for T. L. Spier reported finding the bill but said he had spent it. Upon learning of the rightful owner, Mr. Spier wrote out a check for the ten and handed it to Mr. Williams.

GIVE WAR BONDS FOR CHRISTMAS

Car Thief Nabbed Two Hours After Stealing Car

A general alarm was spread among Panhandle officers Tuesday morning when Frank Thomas notified Sheriff Guy Wright that his 1941 Ford had been stolen. Mr. Thomas had his car parked behind the Clarendon Furniture Store and heard it start and saw it going up the street west. After checking with his wife, he knew someone had stolen it.

The driver of the stolen car drove west toward Amarillo and was met near Claude by the sheriff up there, but he was outdistanced by the thief who turned south out on the dirt roads and then back to the highway near Amarillo. After calling other officers, Sheriff Wright and Judge R. Y. King drove toward Amarillo and met two officers near the Brady school a few miles this side and in the meantime the thief came back on the highway behind the sheriff. When the driver noticed the police cars, he turned the stolen car around and cut across to the 66 highway with the police cars in close pursuit. Another officer was waiting on the 66 highway and when he received the report over the two-way radio that they were coming his way, blocked the road with his car and the driver knew there was no use to go ahead, so gave up.

He gave his name as Seaman Delba Lee Nivens of Amarillo and stated that he had taken the car only to get to his home and intended leaving it where it would be found. He stole the car at 10:30 and was apprehended a few minutes after 12. He is being held here pending word from Naval authorities.

BOND RALLY AT GOLDSTON SCHOOL SUCCESSFUL

Cleo Woods, captain of the Goldston community in the War Bond drive, announced that those fine people put their quota over the mark by a couple of thousand dollars last Friday night. A smaller crowd than usual was on hand for the affair but the Bond buying went on just the same.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Wadsworth and sons Dean and Douglas visited his mother, Mrs. Annie Wadsworth at Amarillo Tuesday evening.

War Bond Premiere To Be Shown At Pastime Theatre Friday

LEGION AND AUXILIARY THANK GIFT DONORS

The Leader has been asked to print the following words of appreciation:

"The American Legion and the Auxiliary would like to thank everyone who had any part in making our "Christmas Gifts for the Yanks Who Gave" a success—for those who donated cash, one gift or a package—for all stores and drug stores in giving space for receiving boxes, and the Donley County Leader for publicizing the cause—to one and all we say thank you.

"There was 67 gift packages valued at \$1.25 each given. 35 went to Pampa Army Air Field Hospital; 32 to Childress Army Air Field Hospital. These men and boys who are forced to spend the holiday season in a hospital will say thank you for your thoughtfulness, too, when they receive these packages."

Leader Office Will Be Closed Saturday

The Leader office will be closed Saturday through Monday for the Christmas Holidays. We are closing in order to rest up a bit after being up a great number of nights in order to publish the larger editions of the past three weeks.

We wish to express our thanks for the splendid cooperation of those who have turned in their news items and business men who have turned in their advertising copy early so that, with our limited force, we could bring these larger copies to you and get them out on time.

We want to wish each and every one of you the most enjoyable Christmas ever, and may the New Year bring brighter hopes and happiness for all.

SCHOOLS TO TURN OUT TODAY FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

The Clarendon public schools will close for the Christmas Holidays this afternoon and will take up again on January 1, 1945.

In keeping with his desire to always help any worthy cause, Lee Bell, manager of the Pastime Theatre, has again relinquished his Friday show to the War effort and has secured a picture to be shown in a Band benefit show, Friday, December 22nd.

The picture "Tall in the Saddle" with John Wayne and Ella Raines, is a new release and will be a premiere showing here. There will be three complete shows beginning at 5:30, 7:30 and 9:30.

The admission price of the show is the purchase of a War Bond of the B, F, and G series at the Pastime Theatre.

This is a grand opportunity for everyone to receive additional enjoyment, in addition to the purchase of their War Bonds which are needed to buy the material for our boys who are giving their lives on foreign soil.

The soldiers in Europe are having a very difficult time since the German offensive has cut loose, and it's going to take all the bond buying and then some to get them the ammunition they need over there. Let everyone buy that extra bond and see the Show this Friday afternoon or night.

Donations In Order For Goodfellows

There will be no drive at this time to swell the Goodfellows fund; however anyone wishing to make a donation will be highly appreciated. Donations to this fund would come in mighty handy should an emergency arise. The unseen calamity, a sudden misfortune or a needy cause will demand help—maybe tomorrow, perhaps next week, or it may be months, but just the same the funds should be available. A few baskets will be delivered this year, but very few reports on needy families have come in to the committee in charge.

The same officers and directors for the Goodfellows were re-elected for another year in a meeting held last Friday afternoon. If you would like to make a donation you may take it to any of the following: Lee Bell, president; Roy Clayton, Sec.-Treas.; Odos Caraway, Mrs. Allen Jeffries or Ed Dishman.

Mrs. Carrol Hudson spent the week end with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. G. T. Palmer at Childress.

Lt. Hansard Jr. Killed In Action

Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Hansard of Amarillo have received word that their son V. A. Hansard Jr. was killed in action in Germany on November 19th.

Lt. Hansard was a pilot of a B-17 Flying Fortress, and had been in the Army since Feb. 13, 1943. He was recently awarded the Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained combat operations over enemy occupied continental Europe. The citation accompanying the award read in part: "The courage, coolness and skill displayed by this officer upon these occasions reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States."

Lt. Hansard was a resident of Hedley previous to entering the service and was well known in that section of Donley county. His wife, the former Ida Robertson of Memphis, has a new daughter, born two weeks ago.



STREET FIGHTING, PHILIPPINE STYLE—Yes, there is house-to-house fighting in clearing out the Japs in the Southwest Pacific area just as American soldiers are obliged to mop up retreating Germans who fortify themselves in cities and towns in Europe. Here an American patrol on the island of Leyte advances along a thoroughfare in the village of Pawing to clean out the last of the enemy from that area.

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NOTICE: Obituaries and poetry are published in this paper at the rate of 1 cent per word. A charge of \$1.00 is made on cards of thanks. Stories of deaths and funerals published in time to retain the news value are not rated as obituaries.

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LELIA LAKE

South Carolina.
 Mrs. Charlie Young and children spent the weekend with relatives in Berger.
 Miss Lois Reynolds, who is attending Abilene Christian College arrived Friday to spend the Xmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Reynolds.
 Mr. and Mrs. Gus Rasco and Jerry of Memphis spent the week end with relatives here.
 Mr. and Mrs. Earl Myers were hosts Saturday evening with a dinner party. Their home was beautifully decorated in keeping with the holiday season. Those to enjoy the delicious dinner were

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Rasco and Jerry of Memphis, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Christie, Mr. and Mrs. Quinn Aten, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Pool, Mr. and Mrs. Adell Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Rice Batson, Mrs. H. R. King, D. E. Leathers and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Myers.

Mr. and Mrs. Caveness of Memphis visited relatives here Sun.
 Mrs. J. E. White left Monday to visit her sister, Mrs. Watkins of Ashtola.

E. E. Patterson of Iran spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Leathers.

Mrs. Herman Mooring left Monday night to join her husband who is stationed in Florida.

Arthur Arnold of Silvertown spent Wednesday night with his sister, Mrs. Carl Naylor. He was accompanied home Thursday by his mother, Mrs. Belle Arnold.

Mrs. Carl Naylor and Mrs. Charlie Young honored Mrs. Herman Mooring Monday afternoon with a bridal shower in the home of Mrs. H. R. King. A Christmas tree bore many useful gifts for the honoree, the former Anita Cook. The hostesses served lovely refreshments to the guests.

Serving Many Purposes

Although the bazooka is commonly considered an antitank weapon, it is also serving many other purposes. Its versatility is limited only by the ingenuity of the soldier using it. The Army Ordnance bazooka has been used to smash concrete fortifications, to blast pockets of resistance hiding in occupied houses, to destroy enemy squads under cover, and for many other purposes. On one Pacific island an entire Japanese command post was destroyed by three rounds from the bazooka.

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WOULD YOU LIKE THIS?

Suppose you picked up your morning newspaper and read that the Federal government, by authority of an act of Congress, was going to exempt the residents of the following towns from payment of taxes on cigarettes: Los Angeles, Cleveland, Seattle, all cities in Tennessee, Jacksonville, and dozens of other hand-picked communities, while the cities of New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Detroit, Pittsburgh, Boston, Baltimore, Washington, and approximately nine out of every other ten cities in the United States would have to go on paying the Federal tax on their smokes.

We can readily imagine what a storm of protest would go up from the smokers. Indignant editorials would snap and crackle. Radio commentators would volley and thunder.

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That is exactly what is happening today with respect to the Federal tax on the sale of electricity for residential use. Publicly-owned plants serving such communities as Los Angeles, Cleveland, Seattle, etc., are specifically exempt from the payment of the 3 per cent Federal tax, while customers of privately-owned electric utilities, serving most of our American cities and nearly all of the larger ones, have to pay this tax.—Francis X. Welch, Editor, Public Utilities Fortnightly.

Mrs. Jean Tholl announces the birth of a daughter Betty Jean on December 14th. Mrs. Tholl will be remembered as Miss Jean Piercy.

Be Quick To Treat 'Bronchitis'

Chronic bronchitis may develop if your cough, chest cold, or acute bronchitis is not treated and you cannot afford to take a chance with any medicine less potent than Creomulsion which goes right to the seat of the trouble to help loosen and expel germ laden phlegm and aid nature to soothe and heal raw, tender, inflamed bronchial mucous membranes. Creomulsion blends beechwood creosote by special process with other time tested medicines for coughs. It contains no narcotics. No matter how many medicines you have tried, tell your druggist to sell you a bottle of Creomulsion with the understanding you must like the way it quickly allays the cough, permitting rest and sleep, or you are to have your money back. (Adv.)

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Letters to Santa-

Dear Santa,
 I am a little boy five years old. I've tried to be good this year. Will you please bring me a tractor, gun, truck, and don't forget the other little boys and girls.
 With love,
 Bobby Neal Cole

Dear Santa,
 We are a little boy and girl way off up here in Cheyenne where my daddy is in camp. It sure is cold up here. I am four and little sister is 20 months old. I would like a big truck like Granddad hauls cattle with and a gun. Little sister wants a doll, a doll bed, and some house shoes and please bring us some fruits and candy. We will be at Granddad's house so you can easily find us. Do not forget other children and soldier boys.
 With love,
 Aubrey Wayne and
 Lou Anne Wood

Hello Santa,
 I am a little girl 2 years old. I would like for you to bring me a little tea table and chairs, a pretty doll, and knives, forks, and spoons. I have some dishes. Bring my little cousins something nice. We will all be at Grandmother's house, I think. Do not forget my Uncle Jerry. He is a soldier; so bye, and I'll be waiting for you.
 Lots of love,
 Carole Lee Wood

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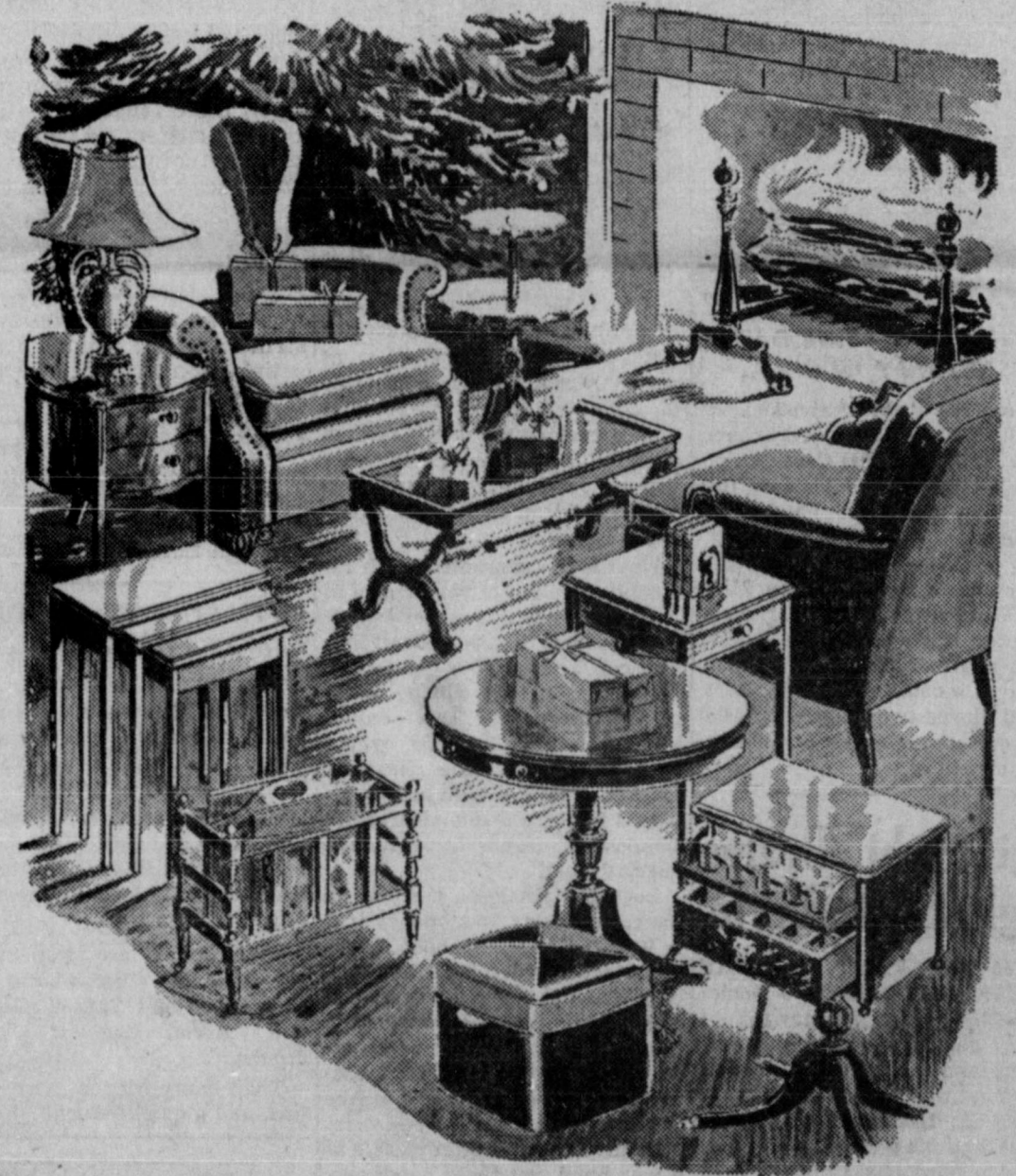
TO MY FARMER CLIENTS:
 Under the 1944 Income Tax Law you have until January 15th to file your ESTIMATED REPORT, or, if you file your complete ANNUAL REPORT before that time, then that takes the place of an ESTIMATED REPORT. You may file your ESTIMATE now or at any time before then.

We will be unable to file all these reports within that time, so we advise all to file NOW. It will cost you more, but probably less than to not get your report in and have to pay a penalty. Naturally, we cannot do your work free. We along with you in filing their reports for 1944 and ESTIMATES for 1945, which must be done before March 15th. So, if you wait, you are doing so on your own responsibility, as we refuse to accept any responsibility for any one being late. We can do just so much and no more.

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THE TEMPLE OF TRUTH
By the Apostle

PEDAGOGICALLY.
Yep. There is a difference in results and consequences. Results is what you expect; consequences are what you really get.

PHYSICAL-GYMNASTICS.
When the top sarge asked the private why he did not show up for drill, the private modestly informed the hard boiled sarge that he had thrown an ankle out of place the night before. The sarge stared at him for a moment and

said: "I've turned up for drill and my whole body was thrown out of several joints last night!!!"

TOOTH CARPENTERS.
Despite the fact that business is booming in many lines, the dentist continues to live from hand to mouth.

OUTDOOR EXERCISES.
It's not just the work that I enjoy," stated the taxi driver, "it's the people I run into that I enjoy most."

FAMILY PLANNING.
A local woman is said to have asked the butcher to send up forty cents worth of the best steak he had. She explained that she was

leaving home and that the 'points' would be found under the soap dish on the back porch. "You can push the package of meat through the keyhole into the kitchen," she further explained in her plans.

FINANCIAL.
Hastoon Yazzie explains that "easy money is what the other fellow you don't like gets hold of and saves. Hard money is the stuff you never had ambition enough to get hold of."

EXPLORATION.
Many a man, after he shuns temptation, walks around the block and passes it again just to see if he can shun it once more.

ARMY EVILS.
A bashful private had been reported as A.W.O.L. "Well," said the top sarge, what made him do

that?" Then the explainer remarked that the bashful private had gone After Women Or Liquor.

OUR WEAKLY POME.
She irons out seams in your tissue So people you meet, Say you look sweet, And helps you face the issue.

Letters to Santa-
Dear Santa,
I am a little girl in the third grade. For Christmas would you bring me a jack-in-the box, a doll, set of dishes, and a washer set. Bring my little sisters and brother something, too.
Your friend,
Reba Earl Cox

Dear Santa,
I am in the second grade and would like for you to bring me a

ball and bat. You can bring anything else you want to and I will be satisfied.
Your friend,
Don Carroll Springer

Dear Santa Claus,
Bring me a table and chairs, and fill my stock full of good things to eat. Bring Alan Roy a gun and teddie bear.
Your little friend,
Linda Carol Dodson

P. S. And a doll buggy if you have one.

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Hello Santa,
I hope I'm not too late writing you. I am a little girl 5 years old. I have tried to be a good little girl. Will you please bring me a doll, a nurse's kit and lots of fruit and candy. Please remember the little orphans.
Your little friend,
Joyce Myrne Eddings

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl in the third grade. Would you bring me a doll, house coat, and house shoes, also some candy, nuts and fruit.
Your friend,
Leota Marshall

Dear Santa,
I am in the second grade and I want a barn and some animals for Christmas. Also some candy, fruit and nuts.
Your friend,
Delma W. Graham

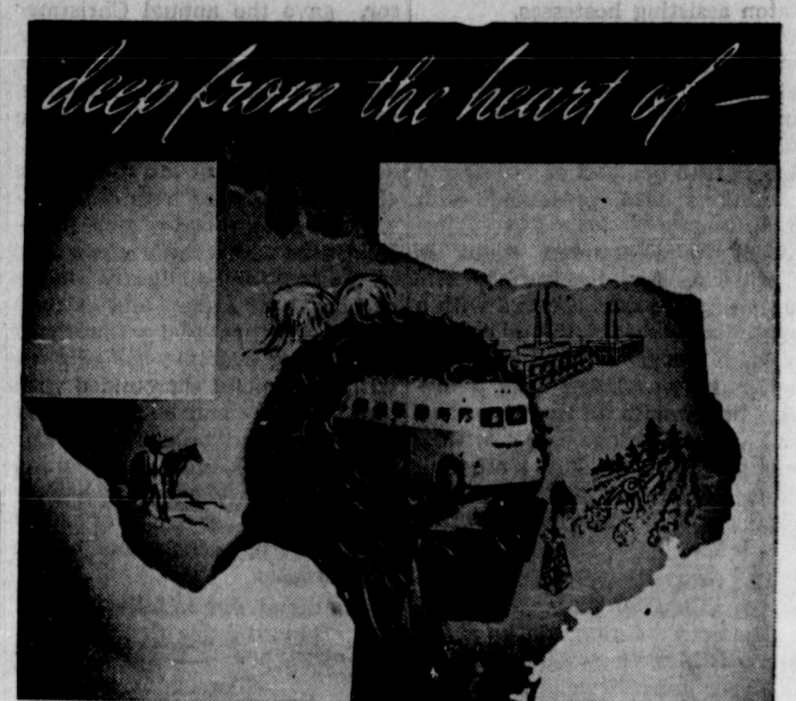
Dear Santa,
I am a little boy in the second grade. Would you please bring me a guitar and some animals. Don't forget all the other boys and girls.
Your friend,
Bobby Don Ray

Dear Santa,
I am in the third grade and am eight years old. I would like for you to bring me a telescope. That is about all I want because there is a war on.
Your friend,
Glyndol Henderson

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My dear Santa Claus,
Will you please bring me a large doll with real hair, a laundry set, a set of dishes, a teddy bear and color book. Please bring my little baby brother a teddy bear, a dog and rattler. Please remember my dear father who is somewhere on the front lines.
Love,
Delores Ann Hauck

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl five years old. I want a doll and a bed for her. I would also like to have a table and chairs if you have one. If you can find some bananas bring me some, also candy and nuts.
Your little friend,
Bonnie Joyce Riley

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy two years old. I am good sometimes. I want a rocking chair and a horse, and anything else you have. I can't eat nuts so bring me some fruit and candy. Don't forget to go see my two uncles in the army and my uncle Jake who's in the Navy.
Your little friend,
Jerry Tom Riley

Dear Santa Claus,
I am three years old and have been a pretty good little girl all year long. Please bring me a doll with hair, doll buggy, dishes and train. I also want lots of candy, nuts and fruit.
Your little friend,
Anne Word

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a pretty Kewpie doll or a doll with a snowsuit. I also want a pail and a spade. Bring my little brother a little chair and a train.
Love,
Sherrill Rolls

Dear Santa,
Christmas is about to catch us once more. When you start this way, be sure to wrap up good and warm as we have had some bad weather. Now that the war is on, I don't want to expect too much, but please, sir, bring me a football.
Yours truly,
Harry Cox

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like for you to bring me and my two brothers some guns. We have been good boys. We also like candies, nuts and apples.
Your friend,
Allen Ray Graham

Dear Santa,
We are going to have a Christmas tree at our house and school, too. I want a doll for my Christmas. Don't forget my brothers and sisters. They love you, too.
Your friend,
Shirley Wilson

Dear Santa,
I hope you are not sick with a cold like so many of us have been. You must stay well so that you can bring us some playthings. I want a gun and scabbard and just anything else you want to bring. I have been a good boy.
Your friend,
James King

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl in the second grade. I would like for you to bring me a sweetheart bracelet, house coat, and a doll. Don't forget all the other little boys and girls.
Your friend,
Lillie Lee Barker

Dear Santa,
I am seven years old and am in the second grade. Would you bring me a gun, a barn, and some animals. Don't forget my little brother and sisters.
Your friend,
Bobby P. Wilson

FOR AN
American Christmas

The pleasant custom of stopping in our business activities to extend Season's Greetings to our friends makes this season of the year a happy one.

Christmas can always be a happy time if we but make it so. It is the time to think of the pleasant things of life; of loved ones and friends, of the finer things in a world that strives for Peace.

When we wish you a Merry American Christmas we are only expressing a wish that is uppermost in our thoughts at this time. It is our sincere hope that you will spend an enjoyable Yuletide this year and for many more years to come.

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CLARENDON H. D. CLUB

This Club met in the home of Mrs. J. C. Estlack Friday for their annual Xmas turkey dinner, with Mrs. McDowell and Mrs. Van Eaton assisting hostesses.

The living room was decorated with a lovely Xmas tree from which each member received an exchange gift. The dining room was decorated with pot flowers. A beautiful bouquet of mums and carnations was presented with compliments by Mrs. Elsie Johnson of the Clarendon Plant & Floral Co. for the buffet. The large dining table, covered with a white linen table cloth and centered with a crystal bowl of fruits and nuts, was laden with a turkey dinner with all the trimmings and all good things to go with it was served to the ladies at small tables. The favors were miniature red candle holders with white candles.

The program was Xmas poems and readings by Club.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. G. A. Anderson.

Those present were Mesdames G. A. Anderson, A. H. Baker, C. D. McDowell, Claud Darden, Earl Lea, A. L. Chase, Clyde Butler, W. A. Davis, A. W. Simpson, Henry Williams, Frank Hommel, W. D. Van Eaton, O. C. Watson, Ed Speed, Grover Heath, Misses Ida and Etta Harned and hostess, Mrs. Estlack.

HARMONY CLASS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Harmony Class of the Methodist church met Thursday night in the Methodist church parlors, giving a Christmas party and dinner in honor of their husbands. Gifts were exchanged and afterwards "42" was enjoyed.

Hostesses for the evening were Mesdames Clyde Hudson, B. G. Watson, Walter Hutchins, Chas. Bairfield, Lee Holland, Miss Carrie Davis. About 24 were present.

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SCHOOL BOARD AND FACULTY MEMBERS HONORED WITH DINNER

The Home Making Department, with Miss Maurice Berry as sponsor, gave the annual Christmas dinner for the School Board last Wednesday evening, December 13, at the Home Making Building, at 7 o'clock. The members of the faculty were present as guests.

The windows of the room were cleverly decorated with red candles nestled in a bed of pine needles. There was a large green fern by the door; and a huge "V", made of boughs of cedar and strung with multi-colored Christmas balls, hung over a table adorned with a pot plant surrounded with pine needles and burrs, set off with red tapers on each side. The dinner was served on cunning plate doilies. A small Christmas tree standing in a bed of snow comprised the centerpiece of the small tables.

The menu was as follows:
Tomato Juice Cocktail
Baked Turkey Egg Dressing
Giblet Gravy
Whole Beans Harvard Beets
Hot Rolls Butter
Celery Pinwheels
Cranberry Salad
Apple Sauce Cake
Whipped Cream
Coffee Tea

The dinner was served by the following girls: Louise Underdown, Sue Marie Smith, Dorothy Tatum, Ada Sue Smith, Melba Ruth Grady, Mary Ann Bromley, Francis Peabody, and Klyda Fern Wilson.

After the dinner the guests enjoyed a game of "forty-two." The lady holding the high score was Mrs. H. T. Burton; while the high score for the men was held by Mr. C. J. Douglas.

The following guests were present: Messrs. and Mesdames Clyde Douglas, Carroll Knorpp, Van Kennedy, H. T. Burton, Bill Larimer, A. B. Turner, Slick Naylor, Sgt. and Mrs. Rufus White; Mesdames Nathan Cox, Porter, Hess, Goodner; Misses Howren, Pope, Berry; Messrs. Lee Bell, Alvin Landers, R. E. Drennan.

KILL KARE KNEEDLE KLUB

Mrs. Lon Rundell entertained the needle club with a lovely turkey Xmas dinner Thursday at her home at 2:00 p. m. The guest rooms were beautifully decorated with a lovely lighted Xmas tree and Xmas trimmings.

After a bountiful and delicious dinner and exchange of gifts, an interesting program—Xmas as celebrated in all nations was led by Mrs. Sam Lowe and Mrs. Eugene Noland. Xmas songs were sung by club.

Those present were Mesdames H. C. Brumley, Eva Draffin, W. B. Sims, R. A. Hay, W. A. Land, S. W. Lowe, H. Mulkey, Buel Sanford, E. H. Noland, R. R. Dawkins, Grover Heath, Frank White Sr., Major Hudson, Lon Rundell and Misses Ida and Etta Harned.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. McMurtry are visiting in Dallas this week.

SPANISH CLUB ENTERTAINED

Jimmie Howze and Juanelle Stephenson entertained the High School Spanish Club with a Christmas party Monday evening, Dec. 18 in the Howze home. They were assisted by their sponsor, Mrs. Glenn Hess, and their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Howze and Mr. and Mrs. Everett Stephenson.

The Club Mascot, Mrs. Hess' little daughter "Snooks" was the most popular girl and helped her mother manage the games for the earlier part of the evening. After her departure the young people danced until they were called into the dining room.

Mrs. Stephenson presided at a candle lighted table and served hot spiced punch. The other refreshments were individual cakes, which were centered with a tiny lighted Christmas candle; rolled chilli toasts, pickles and mints. The favors were miniature Christmas trees.

The evening ended with the entire group gazing into the open fire and dreaming of the time when there would again be enough marshmallows in the world to toast.

Those present were Sam Lowry, Bert Barns, Rex Bradford, Delene Blair, Wanda Rose Cornell, Nita Heath, Sue Smith, Louise Underdown, Melba Lee Pipes, Mr. and Mrs. Stephenson, Mr. and Mrs. Howze, Mrs. Hess and the host and hostess, Jimmie Howze and Juanelle Stephenson.

BOOK CLUB HEARS YULE STORY

"Finders Are Keepers", a Christmas story by Clara Hood Angel was given by Mrs. B. G. Watson at the Book Club Christmas party Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Frank Phelan was hostess, assisted by Mrs. J. Gordon Stewart.

During the business session, Mrs. Ballew urged the members to contribute cookies for the Christmas party to be given the guards at the McLean prison camp.

Gifts were exchanged from a beautifully lighted Christmas tree. To carry out the Christmas motif, a large evergreen wreath with red bells hung on the outside door. Beautiful bronze chrysanthemums and pots of poinsettia were used in the entertaining rooms. On the refreshment plate sprigs of holly were given as favors.

Attending were Mesdames Elba Ballew, Rolle Brumley, Frank White, Laura Lowell, J. R. Gillham, Bill Bromley, Barcus Antrobus, J. R. Porter, B. G. Watson, Chas. Lowry, C. E. Bairfield, Bill Thornberry, Allen Bryan, Lloyd Shelton, A. B. Turner, Walter Clifford, Delene Bagby, C. B. Morris, Nellie Hoggatt, Dee Lowry, L. N. Cox and Miss Lucille Polk, and the hostesses.

DORCAS ALATHEAN CLASS ENTERTAIN HUSBANDS

The Dorcas Alathean Sunday school class of the Baptist church entertained their husbands Thursday evening with a Christmas dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Smith.

Turkey, dressing and all the trimmings were served to some 72 guests after which games of 42 were enjoyed by all.

Hostesses for the evening were officers of the class.

MUSIC PUPILS HAVE RECITAL AND TREE

Pupils of Mrs. Page Harmon presented a very interesting Christmas program last Saturday afternoon at 3:30 in the home of Mrs. Harmon. A delightful program was given, after which each enjoyed receiving gifts and treats. Mrs. Clarence Pipes had charge of the Christmas tree.

Church News

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

L. Guy Ament, Pastor
Friday night, Dec. 22 at 7:30 our Sunday school will have a Christmas program by the school and also Christmas tree. If you have gifts for the tree bring them—have name on the gifts. We will be glad for our friends to join us in the program.

Christmas sermon next Sunday 11 a. m. All are invited and welcome.

Letters to Santa-

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl and am 7 years old. I would like for you to bring me a doll and fingernail polish, a telephone and bathrobe. I would like house shoes also. I have two brothers, Milton 4 years old and Chester six years old and a sister, Velma Faye two years old. Please bring them some presents, too. We all want candy, nuts and oranges. Santa, please remember all the little boys and girls everywhere.

Love,
Mary Lucille Mann

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl six years old. I want a doll, a game and some house slippers. Please remember my little brother, Dwight and all the other little boys and girls.

Love,
Iva Jean McAnear

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wilson and daughter Jane who visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cap Lane last week, returned to their home at Paducah Saturday.

Mrs. John Semrad who has been in the Clinical Adair hospital the past 2 weeks from a serious operation, was able to be moved home Thursday.

Mrs. Clarence Cannon of Bula, Texas is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hardin.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Blair and children Dele, Biffie Dee and Harry will leave Friday for Cathage where they will spend the Xmas Holidays with his mother and other relatives.

Bettie Ann Craft of Dumas is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. J. O. Thompson.

Mrs. Sam McCarroll and daughter Katherine of San Antonio will spend Xmas Holidays with her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Frank White Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Rolle Brumley went to Amarillo Wednesday to meet their son, Carroll. He has been enrolled at Entworth Military Academy in Lexington, Mo., and has been there since Sept. 3rd. He will spend the Xmas Holidays with homefolks.

Pat Grady and Kitty Ruth Baley who have been attending school at Denton, were on the Ft. Worth & Denver train that was wrecked Sat. night near Memphis. Both were unhurt and will spend the Xmas Holidays with homefolks.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Phelps of Los Angeles, Calif. are visiting homefolks.

Mrs. Lucy Bush has accepted a position in the J. A. Warren Income Tax Office.

Mrs. J. A. Warren returned home Sunday from Amarillo where she had been the past week attending her daughter, Mrs. Paul Hollingsworth, who is ill. Her little grandson, James Moore, returned home with her for a visit.

Dr. B. L. Jenkins is visiting at Farmersville and Dallas for two weeks.

S/Sgt. A. T. Mandril spent the weekend here with his wife and baby in the J. A. Warren home.

Mrs. Lucy Bush went to Altus, Okla. Sunday on business. She returned home Monday. Her sister-in-law, Miss Bush, returned home with her for a visit.

Mrs. Essie Rush is visiting her mother, Mrs. A. H. Baker. Mrs. Rush was in the train wreck near Memphis Sat. night and received back injuries, but not serious, although she is under a doctor's care.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Smith are expecting their son, Basil Smith, Seaman 1st class, Friday. He will spend a week holiday with them.

Mrs. Bob Oswalt and her three daughters returned to her home at Vernon Tuesday from a weekend visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Buel Sanford.

Mrs. Floyd Keener and son Wheeler from Vernon spent the week end here with relatives.

Mrs. Dick Allen, Mrs. Glen Allen and Mrs. W. C. Larimer were Amarillo visitors Monday.

Mrs. Homer Mulkey was called to Wichita Falls due to the death of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Charles Doak who died with heart attack.


Mrs. E. D. Landreth is at home after a visit with her mother, Mrs. Holmberg at Paducah.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hommel and daughter Geraldine were Amarillo visitors Tuesday.

James D. Sue Jr., Seaman 2nd Class of the U. S. Naval training center of San Diego, is visiting his mother at the Hotel Clarendon.

Frank and Mack Bourland returned home Tuesday from a visit at Dallas.

Mesdames Rolle Brumley, Walter Clifford, Bill Ray, Bill Thornberry, Rayburn Smith were in Amarillo Saturday.



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FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Wheel Chair, in good shape, good tires, will sell reasonably. See N. A. Sims, on East 1st street, south part of highway. (44-p)

CEDAR BOXES — Large shipment of cedar boxes with mirrors packed with gift stationery just received at Stocking's Drug Store (45-p)

FOR SALE—Nice pair mares, 7 years old; 1 yearling colt; good 4-wheel farm trailer; Single row Godevil, complete with knives, discs and eaveners; few thousand extra good kaffir bundles; De Laval No. 18 Cream Separator, nearly new. See Bob Harvey, Clarendon, Texas. (45-c)

CALF SCOURS—Do not let your calves die from scours. Vaccinate them with GLOBE white scour vaccine. For sale at Stocking's Drug Store (45-p)

FOR SALE—5 room house with bath, double garage. See Mrs. Essie Rush at Mrs. A. H. Baker. (45tc)

FOR SALE—5 foot Frigidaire. See A. B. Turner at Parsons Bros. (45-p)

Startena advertisement with image of a cow and text: 'Raise 'em on Calf STARTENA One bag replaces 40 gallons milk. Helps grow big, vigorous calves.'

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FOR SALE—1940 Model R M-M Tractor. Oversize tires, starter, lights, complete two-row equipment. Made only 2 crops. See J. R. Gillham or Roy Alexander. (43tc)

LAYING HENS — Increase egg production by feeding Dr. LeGears Poultry Prescription. For sale at Stocking's Drug Store (42-p)

FOR SALE—New model H John Deere tractor. Pre-war tires, starter and lights, Planters and cultivator attachments. Made part of this crop. See Alabama Hill, Hedley, Texas. (46-p)

FOR SALE — 1941 model McCormick-Deering Combine and 1937 Tractor, worth the money. See Marlin Groom, 6 miles northwest of Memphis. (44-p)

PAPER SHELL PECANS Just Received a Big Shipment CLARENDON GRAIN CO. Phone 93 (42-3c)

FOR SALE—2 horses and 1 mare, three miles west of Ashtola. Gail Reed. (42-2c)

Hog Chow advertisement with image of a pig and text: 'For Fast Gains HOG CHOW Goes with grain to make pork quick and thick. Supplies what grain lacks.'

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FRESH PECANS — Paper Shell Pecans for sale at Stocking's Drug Store (43-p)

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Worm Killer advertisement with image of a box and text: 'WORM KILLER Effective large roundworm treatment for poultry. Costs only about 2c per bird. Use CHEK-R-TON'

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FOR SALE—5 room frame house, good condition; also barn for cow and chickens, located near junctoin of east first street and Brice highway. Anyone interested see Sam Tankersley. (44-p)

MITES & BLUE BUGS — Easily exterminated with AVENARIUS CARBOLINEUM. Guaranteed remedy. Stocking's Drug Store (19-p)

FOR SALE—D-T Carbolated Cresote Base. Kills and Repels Mites, Fowl Ticks (Blue Bugs) and Repels Termites. Wood Preserver and Disinfectant. Thomas Mill and Feed Store (29-tfc)

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MISCELLANEOUS

PIANO LESSONS Mrs. Page Harmon 5 blocks South of Junior College at old Condron place. Phone 480-R (46-p)

FLOCK OWNERS— We are now bloodtesting and culling flocks for hatching eggs. Get in touch with us now. Clarendon Hatchery. Phone 263. (43tc)

LOST and FOUND

LOST—Ladies Gold Identification Bracelet. Has the names of Neva and Mac engraved on the front side. Finder please call 476-M. (43-c)

Mrs. R. D. Perry who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Frank Combest and Mrs. W. B. Scott, left for her home at Comton, Calif. Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Bud Anderson took her to Amarillo to the train Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Robt. Dillard and children of Corsicana arrived Tuesday to spend the Xmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bourland and sister, Mrs. Jeanne Ross. Robert will join the family here Saturday.

Mrs. Ruth Kennedy and daughter, Mrs. Glen Hess and her daughter Sarah will spend the Xmas holidays at Okla. City. They will leave Friday evening.

Seaman 1st Class John M. Bass is home for a few days visit. He has been attending the Quartermaster school at Gulf Port, Miss.

Mrs. John Swinney of Hedley is visiting Mrs. Albert Johnson this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Johnson returned home Sunday from a visit with old friends at Stephenville and their daughter, Mrs. Ben Daniels at Ft. Worth.

Mrs. Claude Gilmore is at New Boston visiting her husband, Sgt. Claude Gilmore.

Good News For Farmers

No one appreciates the telephone more than farmers. Therefore, the report that thousands of independent telephone companies have joined with the Bell system in the creation of a joint committee of telephone men to work on extending and improving farm telephone service, comes as good news indeed to rural sections. Spokesmen for the committee said:

"As soon as war demands are reduced, we propose to resume and expand our research effort and, along with it, the intensive program for extending farm service which was being carried on before the outbreak of hostilities.

"Over one-half million miles of telephone pole lines serving rural areas have already been built so that more than two-thirds of all rural families in the United States can be served from existing lines. Since 1935, more than 500,000 additional families in rural areas have become telephone subscribers—

an increase of 35 per cent. One of the major objectives is to continue this upward trend by making the service over existing lines increasingly valuable and attractive. This the industry intends to do to the limit of its ability.

"A second major objective is to extend service at reasonable cost to families not now reached by existing lines. Telephone industry research in the last several years has successfully developed new construction materials and methods which substantially lower the cost of building wire lines to areas not previously reached. In addition, work was started by the industry in 1938 to develop a practical system of transmitting telephone conversations over electric power lines...Before this work was interrupted by the war, it was clear that a suitable system of this kind could be produced.

"The telephone companies also plan to study the possible application of microwave radio systems to rural telephone service and to make use of this and any other new methods which will be helpful in giving service to the farmer."

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In other parts of the world the Yuletide Season is also being observed, but we do not believe that it is possible for others to realize the full significance of Christmas that is in evidence in our own America. We have had our reverses, too. We have experienced disappointments that have been difficult to bear. Yet we do not forget that we have much for which to be thankful. We

are a free country! Free thinking, freedom of speech, religion, and press is the American way of life, and we, as its citizens, appreciate the happiness and contentment resulting from these freedoms.

Christmas takes on a newer meaning this season. It gives us an opportunity to forget our cares and to lose ourselves in the glorious atmosphere of sociability of loved ones and the associations of friends tried and proven. Our Christmas Greeting is full of genuine feeling, and we wish for you and yours all the happiness of the occasion.

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The Season's best to each of you!

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MORALE KILLER

By Edith McCrary

The "morale killers" employed by the female species are beginning to make fruit cake of the average G. I.'s mind.

Take the letter for instance, the coy letter. This one was designed especially to make the soldier feel like the original green-eyed monster. It is filled with references to the dates "Sweetie Pie" has been having or about some 4-F who has been paying marked attention to her. Letters of this type always end with "You have nothing to worry about though; you know I will always be true to you." A fractured skull on the barracks wall is the result of such "coyness."

Some girls resort to "carbon-copy" methods; that is, they write the same thing to all branches of the service. These letters are dewey-eyed with promise, filled

with admiration. Pity the girl if Fate ever crosses her path with that of her "receivers." She has earned a well deserved hole in the head.

The prize of the crop is the sweet letter. "Snookums" implores G. I. to "remember all we meant to each other" lest he "go astray with some native woman." It contains memory promptings, such as snatches of a certain song or "sweet sayings." The result of this method is a round zero.

Strength builders bring moans and groans from G. I. and Navy Issue alike. An excellent "morale killer" is to remind the N. I. in the Pacific that "things are much worse in the battle of Europe." Tell him to keep a stiff upper lip; he has no real woes!

Then there is the letter that means of home front conditions and all about having to stand up on the bus. This never fails to

bring a tear from a dirty, grimy, G. I. just back from maneuvers who would give his very soul to be riding on that bus.

Some letters are idea builders. There are those that say "I will tell you all about it when you are home next time." What a pleasant thing to read on the eve of a battle with another ten months before a furlough is due!

Letters are not the only "morale killers"; some girls are, without the letters.

"Miss Intellect" is the chief of the "girls who gripe G. I.'s. She dives into the Roosevelt administration, taking the poor soldier through all kinds of politics, and finally sprinkles him with the Jewish problem. Not only does she delve into politics; the world at war is another favorite topic which is "most" interesting to the war-weary soldier.

The first times a soldier hears his girl use G. I. slang, he thinks it is cute. After that he begins to wonder where she learned it. It reminds him of the regiment which must have come before him.

Some girls do not bother to be cynical about it; they are just frightened by the sight of a uniform. The first of this type is the one who shakes hands and comes out fighting. The second is known as "Sophie the Sofa Dodger." She just sits there and trembles; every time the G. I. rises to change records, she peals forth with a story about American womanhood.

There is not much to say about the "dope" who forgets a soldier draws "50 a month and dines on caviar." Another "lackwit" is the one who raves about the money her 4-F boy friend spends on her. The only way a G. I. could repay her would be to ruin pair after pair of Nylons before her eyes.

A G. I. dreams of a number of things. He dreams of an ideal "sweetheart," one who avoids "killing the morale." She is nothing out of the ordinary; she is just "average," but she fits into any

place. Being nice to talk with, she is also nice to walk with. She likes him and he likes her.

The moral of this "morale discussion" is to avoid being a "killer"; be an ideal "sweetheart." There are several hundred G. I.'s looking for just such a girl.

GOSSIP

Everyone is trying to find out what Jiggs said to Elise Friday morning. What could it be?

Why were Melba Ruth and George Bulman running a race on the football field the other night?

It seems that since Roy was here Faye has dropped the "true to the Navy gang" and joined the Army list. What about that?

What is this sailor trouble between a certain college freshman and a business girl in town?

Has everyone seen Arvis' car since it has had the new paint job? Not bad!!

All the Juniors certainly look happy now that they have their term themes finished. Who wouldn't?

Who was that with Pete Bromley Sunday afternoon up at the football? We wonder!!!

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO CHRISTMAS?

Mary Christie: Going to go a lot, and have a lot of fun. The General is coming home.

Mary Williams: Sitting at home dreaming.

Klyda Wilson: Sleeping.
Melba Ruth Grady: Eating.
Coach Naylor: One day at a time.

Edith Becket? Ah-ha!
Treva Nell Trussell: Eat and sleep.

Billy Roy Blackman: Enjoy my toys that Santa brings me.
Douglas Lowe: Have a good time.

Billie Neal: Stuff my stomach.
Paul Semrad: Eat and sleep.

"Dot" Tatum: Sit home and "moan" around.
"Sid" Harp: I don't know; as little as possible.

Mrs. White: Spend them with my parents in Waxahachie and in San Antonio with my husband.
June Atteberry: This and that—mostly that.

Mrs. Hess: Going to visit Ted's family in Oklahoma City.

Sue Smith: Work to keep out of work and sleep 'till noon.
George Bulman: Set a trap for Santa Claus.

Kathleen Grady: I do not know as yet!
Ada Sue Smith: Eat, sleep, and be merry.

"Dot" Kemp: Sleep late every morning.
Mary Ann Bromley: Want to go some where every night.

Jo Blackwell: Go to Amarillo and be merry.
Laverne Darden: Ask "Bare"—I don't know.

Jo Mosely: Have a wonderful time!!
Erma Lea Elliott: Everything I can.

SOUTH WARD
Miss McGowan has been ill this week. Mrs. Hauck is taking her place.

Mrs. Mears' pupils have learned to play "Jingle Bells" with the Rhythm Band instruments.

Miss Mongole's room has a Christmas tree up and some Christmas pictures.

Mrs. Prewitt's room has some Christmas Carols memorized and their room is in readiness for Santa Claus.

Mrs. Headrick's and Miss Stevens' rooms are learning Christmas carols.

Mrs. Toland's room has a new pupil from Montana, Joan Cox.

grade boys playing. Robbing the cradle, eh?
Jimmie is a rich man. Another man gave him a turkey for Christmas.

Ira Jean, who were those two boys you were with Tuesday?

Cpl. E. R. Mayville from Malden, Missouri visited his wife, Dorothea Mayville in the O. C. Watson home here over the week end.

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GOLDSTON

Wilma Smith
Bro. Hanks preached Sunday. We will have the community Christmas tree Saturday night. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Gray shopped in Amarillo Wednesday. Mrs. Joe Dilli shopped in Amarillo Saturday. Mrs. Coronette Goodjoin and Trixie Lee returned to their home in Floydada Saturday. Bobby Trout spent Saturday night and Sunday with L. M. Put-

man.

Mrs. Carl Tucker spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Higdon.

Mrs. Dennis Rattan visited in the Odell McBrayer home Sunday. Lavon McBrayer spent Sunday and Sunday night with Billy Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Mooring and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Buck Parker and family of Memphis Sunday.

Mrs. Bill Thornberry and Mrs. Rolle Brumley were shopping in Amarillo Sat.

MARTIN

Mrs. Jack Eddings

Sunday school and B.T.U. was well attended Sunday morning and night. Christmas is here again and many a home will be sad because so many of our boys are away from home this year. Let us hope and pray that this will be the last Christmas they will be away from home.

Martin community sends its deepest sympathy to Mrs. H. L. Devenport and children on the loss of their son and brother, Woodrow, who was killed in Germany Nov. 26.

Mrs. L. O. Christie is visiting her brother in Amarillo this week. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Morrow spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Wood.

Pvt. and Mrs. Ray Roberson and children are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Jordan. Miss Geraldine Jordan of Pampa also spent the week end with homefolks.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Land and Bill spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Fitzgerald at Clarendon.

Mr. Ed Hodges visited his both-er at Groom Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Allen spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Moss at Goodnight.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Eddings and Joyce visited in the F. C. Crofford home Thursday night.

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BOB HARVEY

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Texans do get around. This week's news comes from many battle fronts where men of the Lone Star State are on the war path.

Corp. John P. Fleming of Elgin has sent home a Christmas package, received this week by his wife. In the package was a very ornate Nazi officer's dress sword, decorated with the swastika and much gold and silver. The corporal wrote that Mrs. Fleming would have to wait until his return home to find how he got the unusual souvenir—but the odds are that the Nazi officer won't be needing the sword any more. Texas fighting men have a habit of leaving the enemy very, very dead.

Corporal Fleming, who has done much heavy fighting in Europe, holds the Bronze Star for meritorious service.

Sgt. Leo A. Blakeslee, Cuero rancher, has experienced the unusual by ending the fight in this war exactly where he ended the fighting in World War I—lying wounded in the shadows along the Mozelle river near Metz.

Sergeant Blakeslee, being a bit past youngster age, had to fight his way into the army, but he managed to get in, because he wanted to finish the job started in 1917. He worked his way into his old division—the famed 90th—and when the division went overseas he was with it. He was hit by a sniper near Metz—exactly where he fought and was wounded in the last war!

From France, too, comes word of another fighting Texan—Lt. Alton Prewitt of Round Rock. Lt. Prewitt, an officer of the ninth infantry division, has been given the coveted Silver Star for gallantry in action against the Germans in northern France. He won the medal while leading a small patrol. When he encountered an enemy unit, he ordered his men to wait in cover, while he went forward. Then he calmly staged a one-man war, destroying the German outpost with hand grenades.

And on the home front, Texas is setting a record for generous support of the war. Records show that Texans contributed so generously to the National War Fund that the Lone Star State will stand high among all states of the union when final drive figures are available. Details aren't complete yet—and some few counties still are not yet over-the-top—but when the final "clean-up" campaign is over and all figures in, there is little doubt that Texas will be near the top of the nationwide list.

Wayland D. Towner, general manager of the United War Chest of Texas, likes to give credit for the achievement to the many local leaders who worked so hard

during the drive. But those close to the state office know that while the local campaigners certainly deserve the bulk of the orchids, a lot of hard work and planning in Austin helped make the drive successful. Judge Ben H. Powell, UWCT president, and other state leaders who served at the War Fund GHQ, did their job so well that every county had full support from the drive's D-Day to its end.

Funds collected will support USO, War Prisoners Aid and other National War Fund agencies during the coming year, and help make the war not quite so hard for our fighting men.

All Texans should be proud of their success, through their own county war chests.

Patti Lucile is the name of the little 6 lb. girl who has come to make her home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walker Lane, Dec. 14, 1944.

Mrs. Pete Devers left Saturday night to join her husband, MM 1/c at Orange for an indefinite time. Mrs. Devers has been in the employ of the Greene Dry Goods Store here for the past few years.

Friends of Mrs. H. J. Eddington who moved to Rogers, Ark. from Clarendon, will regret to hear that she is confined to her bed and not doing so well.

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WORTH WHILE COMMENTS

BY COUNTY AGENT Charles O. Reed

RESEEDING LAND

Farmers and ranchers of Donley County should consider the advantages of reseeding idle crop land to native grass seed. The 1945 AAA program provides a cash payment for reseeding with following approved native grass seed mixture at rate of 8 lbs. per acre for mixture of

Sandlove grass, sand dropseed, Blue stem, grama, wheat grass and Canada wild rye. The Soil Conservation Service recommends seeding 10 lbs. of following mixture per acre.
Sandy Land
5 lbs. side oats grama.
2 lbs. sand bluestem.
1 lb. sand love grass.
1/2 lb. weeping love grass.
2 lbs. Blue grama.
Tight Land
7 lbs. Blue grama.
1 lb. Buffalo (clean).
2 lbs. side oats grama.
To provide some winter grazing, Canada wild rye, or crested wheat grass can be added to mixture.

African Weeping love grass is giving good results at Amarillo Experiment Station. If seed are available a 1/2 lb. of Africa Weeping Lovegrass is sufficient. The supply of native grass seed is limited. The County Agent at Clarendon has current list of dealers with grass seed for sale. Producers planning on pasture reseeding should order pasture seed now. A native mixture of good grass will provide more grass and grazing in 3 or 4 years under normal rainfall condition.

Sgt. Robt. S. White left Monday for Ft. Sam Houston.

T/Sgt. Johnny Grady from Amarillo Air Field spent the week end with homefolks.

Mrs. Paul Shelton, Mrs. B. G. Watson and Mrs. Cap Morris were Amarillo visitors Friday.

GIVE WAR BONDS FOR CHRISTMAS

Ethelyn Drennan, who teaches school at Artesia, N. Mex. is home for the Xmas Holidays.

Mrs. Grover Heath, Arva Smith, Ardith Warren and Ochinita Heath were Amarillo visitors Monday.

Ed Gerner was up from Lelia Lake Wednesday seeing after business matters.

Mrs. Robert W. Boston left by plane the latter part of last week to join her husband at Perdue, Indiana.

Judge W. T. Link and Mrs. Link visited relatives in Amarillo Sun.

Mrs. Lu McClellan Jr. from San Diego, Calif. will be a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lu McClellan Sr. during the Xmas Holidays.

Mrs. William Lewis Sr. of Dallas is visiting Mr. and Mrs. William Lewis Jr.

Arthur Brown, Jericho farmer was here on business Monday.

Ernest Kent is visiting homefolks this week. His father, J. W. Kent is in the hospital quite ill at this time.

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Ration Reminder

MEATS, FATS—Red stamps A8 through Z8 and A5 through S5, good indefinitely. No new stamps until December 31.

PROCESSED FOODS — Blue stamps A8 through Z8; A5 thru Z5, A2 and B2 remain valid indefinitely. No new blue stamps will be validated until the first of the next month.

SUGAR—Sugar stamps 30, 31, 32, 33 and 34 each good for five pounds indefinitely. Stamp 40, good for five pounds of canning sugar through February 28, 1945.

GASOLINE—A-14 coupons are good for four gallons beginning December 22nd.

SHOES—Airplane stamps 1, 2, and 3 in book three, good indefinitely.

Future of Nation At Stake

News accounts tell of the struggle to pour supplies into nations suffering from the ravages of inflation—Belgium, Greece, France, and others. It is said that an increase in supplies will relieve a glut of money. Here in our own country the people are told that war production has so cut into civilian production that consumer competition for the remaining goods would soon send prices out of sight but for stringent Federal control.

As a matter of fact, our Federal government could no more control prices than the countries of Europe if money and supplies ever were to get as far out of balance in the United States as they have in other nations. We have been able to control inflation because we have been able to produce both "guns and butter."

Every industry that has had a part in getting the "butter" to the people has helped to hold the line against inflation. The railroads are a dramatic instance of this. They have hauled guns and the butter of civilian goods in quantities that defy the imagination, and at a price that is anything but inflationary—slightly less than a cent a ton-mile on the average. They have been able to do what they have as a result of years of preparation for just such an emergency; years in which many began to believe that the usefulness of the railroads was past. Consequently, there has been no failure in distribution of supplies, military or civilian, anywhere within the range of the American railroads.

The country has had living proof of the value of strong railroads. When the issue is raised of how much the railroads are to be paid for their services, the facts should be weighed carefully. The future of the nation is at stake.

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ONIONS No. 1 YELLOW—POUND	5c
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MINCE MEAT BULK—POUND	25c
ROAST RIB or CHUCK—POUND	26c

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APPLES DELICIOUS POUND	12c
CELERY JUMBO STALK	23c
ORANGES Nice Large Seedless POUND	10c
LETTUCE Nice Heads POUND	10c

WALNUTS U. S. No. 1—Pound	45c
PECANS Paper Shell—Pound	45c
CAKE FLOUR Swansdown—Reg. Box	32c
BROWN SUGAR Pound Box	8c
PURE VANILLA EXTRACT White Swan—1 1/2 oz.	31c
FRUIT CAKE Delicious—2 pounds	\$2.00
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A Common Paper for Common People

Sgt. Arthur Chase Writes Again From Italy

EDITORS NOTE—Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Chase have received the following letter from their son T/Sgt. Arthur L. Chase written October 28. He has been overseas for some time and has been located in Italy. It has been our privilege to print other letters he has written; the most recent follows: Dear folks:

My letters having been so few and far between during the past couple of months, there should be lots to write about and once I finally get started trying to catch up, I'll probably end up sooner or later with another of those fifteen page books that I have written several times in the past. For one thing I have not yet written adequately of my impressions of Rome, although it has been several weeks since I was there and the vivid first impressions are by now a little dulled. The trip was a little bit disappointing in that I was unable to see as much of the more famous sights as I would have liked to have seen. It was still one of the great highlights of the time I have put in overseas.

St. Peter's Cathedral especially is beautiful beyond all description on the interior and the whole city is a constant succession of one historical building and work of art after another. In fact there is so much to see, that it is confusing, especially with out a guide or even a half way effective guide book.

St. Peter's, above everything else in Rome is so dazzling in its immensity and its exquisitely decorated interior that no written description, painting or photograph of it can begin to do it justice. I accumulated a large number of pictures of it, including some very unusual, large actual photographs of the interior, which come closer to showing it as it really is, than anything I have seen, at the time, hence there is nothing tangible to use as a basis of comparison in trying to imagine the colossal scale of the place.

The thing that impressed me most was the wide spread use of marble Mosaic throughout the Cathedral, both as a form of decoration and in the place of paintings. I guess they finally realized that Frescoes and other forms of wall paintings were too perishable and desiring to make everything in the Cathedral as enduring as possible, used this form of art exclusively. From a short distance these huge Mosaic pictures look exactly like oil paintings so minute are the individual pieces of stone and so perfectly are the colors blended together. There are dozens of these immense panels in the niches around the sides of the Cathedral, and most of them being taken from famous original oil paintings. The same feeling of durability is seen in all the other decorations. The marble columns and walls, the gold leaf decoration of the coffered ceiling of the Nave, the completely Mosaic covered ceiling of the dome, everything is made to last centuries.

I have bought some leather photo albums and as soon as I get time I am going to send my collection of postcard photographs home.

While at St. Peter's I attended one of the Popes audiences and had a very close view of him in his regal robes as he was carried in on a sedan-like chair, but his speech was amplified over a very poor sound system and I was unable to distinguish a word he said, altho' part of it was in English.

A severe disappointment was that the Vatican with its famous Museum and Sistine Chapel were temporarily closed to the public, for repairs, though I hear it is now open.

I was fortunate in being in Rome while they were holding a special Art Exhibit in Mussolini's Palazzo Venezia (where he made all of his famous balcony speeches), where they had gathered a large number of the most famous paintings of all time, which had been brought to Rome from various galleries—all over Italy for safe keeping.

I am sending a lot of postcards and other souvenirs home soon and when I do, I'll send the catalogue of this exhibit.

I managed to see all the most famous tourist attractions, the Coliseum, the Pantheon, the Catacombs, the part of which I saw being very disappointing, the old Roman Forum and the gaudy Victor Emmanuel monument.

I have been doing a lot of reading up on Rome and if I am able to get back again, I'll know better what to look for. I'm especially anxious to spend at least a day in the Vatican Museum.

Entertainment is still super. Hollywood is even getting to the point where they release new pic-

tures overseas even before they are released in the states—Dragon Seed, Conflict and Devotion. On the stage I have seen "The Barretts of Wimpole Street" with Katherine Cornell and a number of other well known Broadway actors.

We are in a fairly comfortable barracks that is if we get any heat. Johnson and I are still splitting shifts, one of us working days and the other nights one week and vice-versa the next. It works out very satisfactorily both in regard to getting the work done and in letting us have an opportunity to get out in the daytime and see the sights, of which there are plenty in this vicinity. I have been on the go constantly during my free time and have only scratched

the surface. I'll write more about what I have been seeing later. Love to all, Arthur

WAR'S PACE REFLECTED ON HOMEFRONT

The intensified pace of military operations everywhere is reflected in continued firm controls of civilian economy and further official steps to concentrate needed manpower and materials into war production. Thus Americans, as they celebrate Christmas day with appreciation of the fact that their fighting men have enabled them to keep lighted the Christmas spirit, are aware that they are about to open a new year of hard, incessant work with victory still to be earned.

Hereford Directory Off The Press

An amazing amount of information on the Texas Hereford industry, including a brief summary of its history, is compressed into the comparatively small volume composing the 1945 Texas Hereford Directory, just off the press.

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The directory is an authentic inventory of the hundreds of thousands of Herefords being produced in Texas, the greatest Hereford breeding state in the Union. Listed by counties is data on all the members of the Texas Hereford Association, their ranch-

es and cattle.

In the foreword, Jack Frost, president of the Association, outlines the purposes of the organization and prospective purchasers are advised that every member has signed the code of ethics and that the Association guarantees that every buyer will get what he pays for.

The introduction quotes from a speech made by W. S. Ikard, Clay County rancher who brought the first Herefords to Texas, and first president of the Association in which he exhorted the members to "stand together as a band of brothers and push the breed into every hamlet of the country and encourage the best exhibits possible at each fair and fat stock show."

Fight Tuberculosis With Xmas Seals

Praising the tuberculosis control work of the National Tuberculosis Association and its affiliates, Dr. Herman E. Hilleboe, Chief of the Tuberculosis Control Division, U. S. Public Health Service, yesterday urged support of the 1944 Christmas Seal Sale in order that the associations may expand their activities next year.

The Seal Sale sponsored by the voluntary associations to finance their 1945 campaign against the disease opened November 27 and will continue until Christmas.

Dr. Hilleboe's statement follows:

"One of this country's major public health problems today is tuberculosis, which kills more persons between the ages of 15 and 35 than any other disease. Control of tuberculosis calls for the cooperative effort of official and voluntary agencies on a nation-wide basis.

"The National Tuberculosis Association and its affiliates have for 40 years waged a relentless fight against this health menace. Their work has been made possible through the annual sale of Christmas Seals. Today, when we are faced with a threatened wartime rise in tuberculosis, it is more important than ever that the work of these voluntary associations receive public support.

"As Chief of the Tuberculosis Control Division of the United States Public Health Service, I wholeheartedly endorse the 1944 Christmas Seal Sale of the National Tuberculosis Association and its affiliates. A successful Seal Sale this Christmas will enable the associations to expand their activities next year, and thus help bring nearer the day when tuberculosis will be brought under complete control."



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IT'S THE BIG DAY OF THE YEAR!

It's here! The BIG DAY! That one day of the year to which each of us look with eager anticipation. It is the day when all of us, at least for the moment, can relax and enjoy the fellowship of loved ones and friends.

We enjoy our friends all through the year, it's true, but there's something about Christmas that makes it stand out as the one day of the year when the cares of the morrow are forgotten in

the spirit of cheerfulness that is evidenced at Christmastime.

And so, as we gather with our loved ones, our neighbors and friends, let's receive comfort and happiness from the thoughts of courtesies and friendly acts of kindness which we have enjoyed during the past year. And on this BIG DAY of the year, please accept our sincere good wishes for the days of next year.

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Khiva Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, has a strong possibility of leading the nation in the percentage of memberships in the Shriner's Hospitals for Crippled Children. Khiva Temple, aided by Masonic and non-Masonic friends, has risen from near the bottom to close to the top in standing in two years. Starting with 68 memberships two years ago, Khiva Temple now has 1121 on its Ladder of Baby Smiles. If the Temple can secure 294 purchasers for the hospital memberships before January 1, it will have achieved 1415 or 100 per cent based on its membership of a year ago.

The membership cost \$61.50 and the amount is a deductible income tax item. The donor's name is filling the walls of Khiva Temple's auditorium in Amarillo.

Khiva Temple, which now has almost 2000 members, has jurisdiction in 41 counties. Each of these counties has been assigned a quota of eight memberships on the Ladder of Baby Smiles.

Mr. Simmons Powell Potentate Aide for Donley County, said this is one of the greatest humanitarian activities known to man and that more than 80,000 children, regardless of creed or color, have been treated in the Shriner's Hospitals for Crippled Children.

You don't have to be a Shriner to buy rungs on the Ladder of Baby Smiles—any person, family, firm, or organization can purchase rungs and have their names on the Ladder.

Mr. Powell said to either send your checks for \$61.50 to him or mail them direct to Khiva Temple, Box 328, Amarillo, Texas.

FARM MACHINERY BEHIND SCHEDULE

One measure of the concentration on war needs is the fact that the War Production Board finds output of farm machinery, exclusive of wheeled tractors, repair parts and attachments, about 25 per cent behind manufacturers schedules for the four months ended October 31. Military needs, more critical than in recent months, are creating shortages in components for farm machinery.

OUR CHRISTMAS WISH



Health
Happiness
Prosperity

It is a big order, we know, but we are sincere in the knowledge that our friends deserve all three.

It is good to think back over the events of the past year, and to pick out those things which are bright and cheerful. These occasions overshadow the dark spots and simplify the task of forgetting dreams unrealized. Your thoughtfulness to this organization is deeply appreciated, and because of this we deem it a privilege to express Season's Greetings. Our sincere good wishes to every one.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS



for CENTURIES PAST

Truly impressive is a spirit that has lived traditionally through centuries and centuries and which comes to us in this modern day as fervent and sincere as ever.

Each year heralds many changes in world affairs; each twelve months has its share of reverses and adversities; but through it all shines the bright star that leads toward PEACE and FREEDOM for all.

Would that all of us could carry the spirit of Christmas throughout the three hundred and sixty-five days of the year. What an enviable year it would provide.

As for us, we promise to keep these thoughts in mind next year. We want it to be the happiest ever for each of you, and we want to have a part in this happiness of yours.

Merry Christmas now, next year, and many years to come. May the significance of the Yuletide continue to thrive through the centuries!

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Letters to Santa-

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the 4th grade. I am nine years old. I want a set of dishes for a tea party and a rain coat, also anything else you want to bring me. Bring me some fruit and candy and don't bring me too much so you will have enough to give some to the children overseas.

From your friend,
Shirley Barker

Dear Santa,
It is time for you to visit me again. I would like for you to bring me a tent, nuts and candy.

Your friend,
Harold Clampitt

Dear Santa Claus,
I am in the 4th grade at school. I am nine years old. I want a chemistry set to play with. I hope you will be good to the boys and girls across the ocean.

Love,
James Bryan

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a bicycle for Xmas. I hope you take most of the gifts to the children across the water as they need them so much more than we do.

Love,
Glenda Sue Owens

Dear Kris Kringle,
I want a doll for Xmas and bring Lorna Dee one also. I want a bicycle too. And bring me an embroidery set and Lorna Dee one too. Don't forget those little ones across the sea and don't forget my brother Lewis and my other two brothers Leo and Leon. Don't forget my sisters Lois, Louise and Lorna Dee.

With all my love,
Lola Mae Underdown
Lorna Dee Underdown

Dear Santa Claus,
I enjoyed the things that you brought me last year. And Xmas is here again. I would like a Springfield Rifle, a Western type double pistol and holster set, and a football. I have tried to get one the last two years.

Your friend,
Bill Porter

SPECIAL DELIVERY (A CHRISTMAS STORY)

By Roger Wheeler

EDITH'S drab room overlooked a snow-covered roof. Not the clean, cheery snow like they had back home on the farm but a murky gray covering on which rested soot of a thousand-city chimneys. "So this is Christmas," she moaned, leaving her chair to pace the floor. "Oh! What I'd give to be back home tomorrow!"



But then, Edith had two Christmas presents to which she could look forward. Today, Christmas eve, the mailman MUST bring her annual package from home. And tomorrow there would be Christmas dinner with Ken—dear Ken who was working so hard these days that he could hardly take time off to think about Christmas.

Edith heard the bell ring downstairs and she skipped to her door, opening it softly and waiting tensely while the old landlady, answered. "Yes, it was the mailman! And then came the shrill cry: 'Miss Harris! Some mail for you!'"

Edith practically leaped downstairs, for there would be her package from home. Then her heart sank, for the landlady handed her only two letters, a greeting card from her friend Margie and (of all things at Christmas!) a bill from the department store.

Edith climbed sorrowfully back to her room and wept. Something was wrong, for Mother and Dad never forgot her at Christmas. She cried spasmodically the rest of the day, while downstairs she heard the other roomers shouting Christmas greetings as they arrived and departed.

But finally Edith consoled herself, for she could still look forward to Christmas dinner with Ken tomorrow!

He was due at two o'clock that day, and after church Edith hurried home to get ready. At 1:30 she was seated restlessly awaiting the doorbell.

She was still waiting at 2:30, for Ken did not arrive. And Edith was getting hungry.

Three o'clock passed, and Edith frowned. "What could have happened to him?" she asked herself.

At four o'clock she cried. It was too much! First her family had forgotten, and now Ken had chosen Christmas day to tell her in this painful fashion that he didn't care!

At 6 p. m. misery began mingling with the pangs of hunger. Edith put on her coat and started to the corner restaurant. But she never got past the door. There she ran into a breathless Ken.

"Edith, dear!" he cried. "Sorry to be so late, but I knew you'd understand when you got my note."

"But—" Edith was confused, "I didn't receive any note, Ken."

"What? But I sent a special delivery message when the boss asked me to finish that laboratory experiment this afternoon. What happened to it?"

The blundering old landlady answered him. "Please come in or go out, and close the door," she barked from the hall. Then—

"Incidentally, Miss Harris, I forgot to give you these things. They arrived this afternoon."

She handed Edith the missing special delivery letter—and a huge package from home! Edith tore into the Christmas box and found a note from Mother. They'd had a blizzard; couldn't get to town; she hoped Edith would get the package Christmas day.

A few minutes later a happy Edith sat across the table from her Ken in the little restaurant around the corner.

"And now, dear," he began very carefully. "How about your Christmas present for me?"

"But I gave you the fountain pen, Ken," she protested. "Yes, silly one, and I appreciated it. But if you want to make me still happier, listen to this. The boss came in tonight and said I'd done such a fine job on that research project that he was raising my salary. Know what that means?"

"Not the faintest idea," Edith lied. For, after all, you can't take the words out of a man's mouth when he's about to propose!

(Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

Letters to Santa-

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl nine years old. I want a doll with sleeping eyes. I want her to have a lot of clothes. I would like a lit of fruit and nuts.

Your friend,
Annette Thomas

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a bicycle for Xmas. I have tried to be good. I am in the 4th grade in Mrs. Lee Holland's room. Take most of the things to the orphan homes and needy children.

Your friend,
John Hester

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy nine years old. I would like for you to bring me a bow and arrow and I have a little brother three years old and a mother. Please don't forget them.

Jimmie Phillips

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy only 8 years old. I have blue eyes, brown hair and I am about 54 inches tall. I am in the 3rd grade and like my teacher very much. I want a bow and arrow set, a machine gun, two guns and scabbard, boxing gloves and a football. I also want some candy, fruit and nuts.

Yours truly,
Billy Wayne Durant

P. S. I have three little sisters who want lots of things too.

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good girl so please bring me a doll, teddy bear, purse, diary, stationery and remember the nuts, candy and fruit. Remember my sister and brother.

Wanda Marie Leek

Dear Santa,
I want a billfold and two story books, a pair of socks and a sock full of nuts.

Alton Gayle Ayers

Dear Santa Claus,
I have tried to be a good boy. I want a bicycle or a pair of skates and candy and an airplane. Thank you.

Ben Naylor

Dear Santa,
It is getting about time for you to visit us again. Please bring me a wagon, billfold, and a play horse, also a gun. I hope you can let me have some of them.

Your friend,
Jimmie Paul Smith

Dear Kris Kringle,
I would like to have a very pretty doll. I would like a telephone and don't forget the boys and girls overseas. I think I am a good little girl. I am nine years old and in the 4th grade. My teacher is Mrs. Holland. I like her for my teacher. I would like some candy, oranges and apples.

With love,
Betty Joyce



To You, One and All!!

Expressing our appreciation of your courtesies of the past year and extending the compliments of the season, we wish you a Season of hap-

piness, goodwill and contentment. Whatever the New Year holds for all of us, may it see the realization of your every ambition.

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Cardial Greetings



IN A COUNTRY
IN A WORLD

Where the gleaming torch of Liberty and Freedom still burns brightly . . . we pause to reflect with sincere joy upon new friendships formed and old ones grown richer . . . and as we enter a New Year we express our gratitude to you for having made our experiences throughout the past year pleasant and profitable.

MAY YOURS BE A MOST MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND THE NEW YEAR PROSPEROUS

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Letters to Santa-

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a doll and doll clothes. I also want a bracelet, oranges, apples, candy and dates. I am nine years old, and I go to Martin school.
Your friend,
Evelyn Jean Wood
P. S. I could use a pair of house-shoes.

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa,
Please bring me a nurse and doctor set and a pair of mittens. Don't forget uncle Eddie and those boys overseas.
Your friend,
Peggy McCracken

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a cowgirl suit and a WAVE uniform, a doll buggy and a table and chairs. Please bring my brother a cowboy suit and a gun and scabbard. I would

like some candy and nuts and fruit.
Love,
Jo Caryl Mace

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy 9 years old and am in the 3rd grade. Will you please bring me a bicycle, toy rifle and candy, fruit and nuts. Don't forget the rest of my family.
Your friend,
Ervin Corbell

Dear Santa,
I want a pair of skates, some socks, candy, nuts, and fruits and a school cap. Don't forget all the other children. Thank you.
James Joe Montgomery

Dear Santa,
I am the conservative type. Therefore I won't tax your generosity to a great extent. All I want is a passing grade in English, Engineering drawing, and Chemistry, say an A in each. Leave a

few millions in my stocking and I will buy the rest.
Love and Kisses,
Joe Smith

Ordnance Plant Supplied 7th Army With Ammunition

One Army Ordnance Base Depot in the Mediterranean Theatre of Operations supplied Lieutenant General Alexander M. Patch's Seventh Army with an initial supply of 122,000 tons of ammunition. Captain R. M. Smith, commanding the Pantex Ordnance Plant, Amarillo, cited a memorandum received from Ordnance Headquarters in Italy, which revealed an extraordinary work achievement on the part of Ordnance Depot troops.

Preceding the invasion of Southern France, depot personnel

worked 73 1/2 hours a week for six weeks. During this period the depot received and filled 19,878 orders for general battle supplies; issued 14,274 vehicles; handled 122,080 tons of ammunition; repaired 14,997 general purpose vehicles; 658 special purpose vehicles; 982 combat vehicles; 857 artillery pieces; 3,328 fire control instruments for anti-aircraft guns; 50,903 small arms, and in addition, fabricated 850 special items.

Captain Smith said that the performance of such a tremendous volume of work by a relatively small number of Ordnance personnel could not have been possible except by intelligent leadership and management, maximum utilization of local labor and facilities, and the highest devotion to duty of every officer and enlisted man to his assigned task, regardless of time and fatigue.

"Depot personnel," Captain Smith declared, "lived up to the highest tradition in the Ordnance Department, Army Service Forces. The job was done—and on time."

The weight of Ordnance supplies accounted in considerable measure for General Patch's rapid advance toward the Belfort Gap and union with elements of General Patton's Third Army which closed the last remaining Nazi escape route from southwestern France into Germany. Captain Smith also stated today that information received revealed more than a million tons of bombs have been dropped on places in Germany and Japan where they did the most good. Almost half the total, 432,000 tons to be exact, have been dropped since D-Day. In a recent month the rate was 4,400 tons per day, or three tons each minute around the clock. "Dropping one million tons," said Captain Smith, "means that five million individual bombs have been dropped down on German and Japanese targets. Approximately 175,000 tons concentrated on air craft factories, related plants and airfields. 140,000 tons have been dropped on oil plants, ballbearing works and other industrial targets. The remainder have been used against shipping, submarine works, many types of military installations, and transportation facilities. Five per-

cent or 50,000 tons of the first million dropped were incendiaries. 238,000,000 rounds of ammunition have been used to destroy more than 27,000 enemy airplanes, probably destroyed 6,000 more and damaged an additional 10,000. 900,000 rounds of 105-mm ammunition is used monthly."

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A Merry Christmas

The warmth and friendliness of the Holiday season prompts us to again wish you a season of Peace and happiness in an unsettled world. The Christmas Season this year shines like a guiding light. It gives us hope in the future and a sincere appreciation of the value of the brotherhood of man.

As we wish you the joy of Christmas and every happiness throughout the new year, we add our genuine thanks for your patronage in the past.



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AND A NOTE TO SANTA—

We know you are busy—so's everybody else. We just want to remind you that here in this community are the finest folks in the world, and we are hoping that you will remember them well in your Christmas Eve travels. Our friends here are deserving of all good things. Please don't forget them!



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OUR CHRISTMAS AND OURS

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We believe in it because it gives us an opportunity to express our thanks for the courtesies with which you have favored us in the Past.

We believe in Christmas because it is an established custom which encourages good fellowship and presents

to All!

the opportunity of renewing old acquaintances which otherwise might be forgotten.

We believe in it because it is a time when everybody should and can be happy. All of us, regardless of circumstances, have much for which to be thankful. We are aware of these facts, and fully appreciate them when we express our Christmas Greetings to those whom we serve.

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Elsewhere in this world there are many who will not be able to enjoy the bright, colorful lights of Christmas. Let's be thankful that here in America, at least, there is no blackout at Christmas time.

Let's be thankful that we are privileged to enjoy Christmas and the American way of life only because American youth accepted the challenge and has made possible the perseverance of the traditional American Yuletide Season.

It is in full appreciation of the things our fighting youth have done that we express to you our Christmas thoughts when we extend SEASON'S GREETINGS. Please bear in mind that we are also thinking of those men who have served their country so efficiently in the protection and perseverance of this glorious tradition.

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Letters to Santa-

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a pair of house shoes and bathrobe. I want some doll clothes for all my dolls, and I also want some oranges, apples, candy and nuts, and I have three dolls. I am eight years old.
Your friend,
Wanda Joyce Sibley
Goodnight, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a very small doll, and cradle and a wrist watch. I am 9 years old, and live at Goodnight.
Your friend,
Lovell Gibson
Goodnight, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a big boy 6 years old. I want a wheel bar, a ball. I would like to have a horse and saddle, too. Don't forget Freda Jo; she wants something bright red.
A very close friend,
Dannis Gibson

Hello Santa,
Remember, I live across the creek in Goldston community. I

am a big girl now, 2 1/2 years old. My Daddy Joe thinks I am a very good girl. So will you please bring me a new doll (as Susy-Q is in pretty bad shape); also a set of dishes, an iron, a cooking set with a rolling pin. Remember all my friends—big and little.
Your Pal,
Rose Wynelle Dilli

P. S. Be sure and bring Buddy Wayne something to play with so he won't want my dollie.

Dear Santa,
I want two pistol guns, cowboy handkerchief and lariar rope, train, airplane, toy farm, dog and a dart board. Bring Phyllis a doll and kiddie car.
Love,
Bobby Easterling

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl almost two years old. I have been a good little girl this year so you will come to see me. I would be glad to have a pretty doll and most anything else you happen to have for little girls.
I have a little brother seven months old and I want you to be sure to not forget him. He would

like for you to bring him a soft teddy bear and some little blocks that turn.
We both sure do love to eat candy and fruit, so please leave us some and remember all the other little boys and girls.
Lots of love,
Sharon Elaine
and
Raymond Glenn Roy

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl 5 years old. Would you please bring me a doll, some candy and nuts. If you have an extra telephone, I'd like one. Don't forget the boys and girls overseas.
Your friend,
Patsy Ellis

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy 4 years old. I would like to have a soldier cowboy gun and scabbard with red bullets, a teddie bear and some candy and nuts. But save toys and candy and nuts for all the little boys and girls overseas.
Your friend,
Allan Roy Dodson

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy almost 3 years old. I would like any toys you have for me. I want some crayolas and a color book, some candy and nuts.
Your friend,
Don Ellis

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy seven years old. This is my first year in school. I have been a good boy and I want you to bring me a ball bat, tool chest and lots of candy and nuts.
Your friend,
Steve Reynolds

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy 4 years old. I have been a pretty good boy. Will you please bring me an airplane, a little gun and scabbard; also bring me some candy, fruit and nuts, and don't forget the other little boys and girls, too.
Your little friend,
John Wayne Wood

Clint Martin who visited his mother, Mrs. W. D. Martin last week has returned to his home at Swink, Colo.

SNOWBOUND CHRISTMAS

BY CLYDE WILSON

BILL YARDLEY poked a tentative eye outside his blanket. It was daylight, at last. Across the tiny cabin Jim was snoozing quietly, his measured breath almost drowned by the roaring wind outside.

Bill's eyes surveyed the cabin with its old stove and rickety furniture. Cozy enough, perhaps, but this was no way to spend an entire winter, even for the sake of geographical accuracy. Several hundred miles to the south, in Winnipeg, the government office was waiting for early spring when Bill and Jim could finish their surveying assignment and bring back a report.



The pilot dumped overboard a huge bundle.

Ahead, meanwhile, were two months of this maddening snowbound silence.

Bill's glance drifted to the calendar. Suddenly he caught his breath—"Jim!" he shrieked. "Wake up! Wake up! Do you know what day this is?"

Jim groaned, stirred a bit, and answered sleepily.

"Tuesday, ain't it? And so what?"

"Jim! It's Christmas Eve!"

A few minutes later they found themselves staring blankly out the window, almost wishing they'd never discovered it was Christmas.

It was kind of childish to let on that you cared, Bill thought. So he put on his parka and headed for the door.

"Let's forget it, Jim," he advised. "I'm going to look at our traps and get some fresh air. Be back soon!"

It was no picnic, trudging through knee-deep drifts for two hours. To make it worse, the traps were all empty. Even the animals were staying inside in this weather.

"Wonder if they'll miss Christmas, too?" he mused as he neared the cabin.

Suddenly he heard a faint hum in the sky. It grew nearer. Unmistakably a motor—an airplane!

Bill raced for the cabin door.

"A plane, Jim!" he cried. "Get some black smoke going up the chimney!" Then he raced out to the clearing.

The pilot saw him gesticulating wildly, or else he saw the fresh black smoke over the cabin. The big ship circled, flew off to the north, turned and came back, flying low. Over the clearing it almost stalled as the pilot dumped overboard a huge bundle that plummeted into the snow almost at Bill's feet. Then he waved and sped away.

They got it inside, somehow, though they wanted to open the bundle right where it landed. Once the rope was torn loose an oilskin pouch flew out. A note was inside. From the boss:

"In case you boys have forgotten," it read, "tomorrow's Christmas. Herewith the makings, including some presents your families asked us to send along."

Bill and Jim looked at each other, then they cheered.

"Merry Christmas?" asked Bill.

"Why, it's the best ever! Wait'll you taste this turkey!"

53 Sundays in Year

According to the Gregorian calendar, every year has 53 days of the one it begins on. Generally speaking, the year contains 53 Sundays every five or six years. This occurred in 1928, 1933, 1939, and again in 1944, 1950, 1956, 1961, 1967, etc. The United States naval observatory points out that in any continuous series of 28 years, five have 53 Sundays, unless the series includes a year whose number ends in two ciphers without its being a leap year, as in 1700, 1800, 1900. When leap year begins on Saturday, two of the six-year periods fall consecutively.—Philadelphia Inquirer. (Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

Only One Social Security Number To Individual

Emphasizing that no wage earner should ever have more than one social security number, James L. Farmer, manager of the Amarillo, Texas, office of the Social Security Board, declared that "some workers have the false impression that it makes no difference whether they have more than one number or whether they use someone else's name and number when they work." The fact is, he added, "workers jeopardize their own rights as well as their survivors' rights to insurance benefits in the event of death if the worker fails to show his correct account number to each employer."

Recently, a worker died leaving a widow and small child. When the widow called at the field office to file her claim for Old-Age and Survivors Insurance, she furnished her husband's social security card. When the field office secured the deceased worker's wage record, it was found that no wages were credited to the account; consequently, neither the widow nor child was entitled to any insurance payments based on this account. The widow, however, knew her husband had worked in employment covered by the Social Security Act in several other states and was able to furnish the names and addresses of some of the employers. When the report made by one of these employers was checked, it was discovered that the wage earner had obtained a second social security card, which he used without requesting cancellation of the extra card. Fortunately, in this case, the widow knew where her husband had worked, so it was established that the wage earner was fully insured. Unless the widow remarries, she and her child will receive monthly benefits for eighteen years. The widow will also be entitled to monthly benefits for life when she reaches age 65 if she does not, in the meantime, remarry.

"Over 76 million social security cards have been issued by the Board, and workers who have more than one number take a chance on losing their own monthly insurance benefits at age 65 as well as those of the survivors in the event of death," Mr. Farmer said.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lane and daughter Lee Ann of Lubbock, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cap Lane and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Walker Lane.



WE'RE GLAD IT'S CHRISTMAS

BECAUSE it gives us an opportunity to renew old acquaintances.

BECAUSE it's the one time of the year when problems and tribulations can be forgotten.

BECAUSE the spirit of Christmas prevails everywhere and the brotherhood of man predominates the thoughts of civilized man.

BECAUSE we can be young again, and relive a life of fond memories with our loved ones.

BECAUSE a world which observes Christmas is a world worth living in—a joy for all.



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As you read this, please keep in mind that it is written with sincere appreciation of the good fellowship we have enjoyed. Whatever has happened within the past year—come what may in the future—at Christmastime we like to forget the tribulations caused by conditions and pause for a few minutes of peaceful meditation with our friends.

We wish you a season of joy and a new year which will see peace and good will for all.

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Oldtime New England was serious on New Year's, as witness the title of a book published there in the year of 1702 by one Richard Standfast: "A New Year's Gift for Fainting Souls, or, a little handful of cordial comforts scattered through several answers to 16 questions and objections: As also doubting Christians invited to Christ."

Chinese New Year's Greeting
The Chinese New Year's greeting is "Sui-hi," or "May joy be yours."

Letters to Santa-

Dear Santa,
Will you bring me a gun and a game called Zing down Goes the Crows, a sock full of apples, oranges, nuts and candy.

Your friend,
Montye Smith
P. S. We will have something for you too. We may not be at Clarendon for Xmas. We may be at Ft. Worth. Will you bring them down there, please.



Christmas News!
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Dear Santa Claus,
I believe I have been a good little boy this year. So will you please bring me a dump truck and a machine gun. My little sister wants some little dishes, knives, forks and spoons and a little doll. We want some candy, nuts and fruit too. Don't forget Joe and Red and all the soldier boys. Santa Claus we will have a cake for you.
Your little friends,
Johnny Ray and Eula Jane Adams

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl. This is my first Xmas. I would like for you to bring me a pretty little doll.
Thank you Santa.
Floretta Carol Smith
Austin, Texas

Dear Santa,
We are not going to ask for much this Xmas. We like nice things to play with and will leave it up to you what you think we would like best. Don't forget the other little boys and girls all over the world.
Lots of love,
Joe and Rochelle Estlack

Dear Santa Claus,
Will you please bring me a cowboy suit and a doctor set, also some candy, nuts, oranges and apples. Please don't forget any little boy or girl. I will be at Ann's and Dusty's house this Xmas just like always. Thank you very much.
Love,
Keith Carroll (Buddy) Hudson

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a very good girl this year. I want a sewing set also nuts, oranges, candy and don't forget the other little girls and boys. I am 9 years old, have brown hair and green eyes.
Your little friend,
Francis Helton

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl eight years old. I have tried to be a nice little girl. Santa, will you please bring me a jack-in-the-box, a sweetheart bracelet, some candy, nuts and fruit. And don't forget the soldier boys overseas.
Your little friend,
Patsy Darlene Wallace

Dear Santa Claus,
I am 6 years old. I am in Miss McGowan's room at school. I am trying to be a good boy. I am anxious for you to come to see me. I will not ask for much. Please bring me a gun, a blackboard, some story books, a climbing monkey and anything else you want to bring. I would like some fruit and nuts. Don't forget any boys and girls.

Your little friend,
Jerry Davis

Dear Santa Claus,
Please bring me a wagon, sewing set, train (wooden), some games and lots of candy and nuts. I have been fairly good considering everything.
Love,
Allen Homer Estlack

Dear Santa,
I sure thank you for so many toys you brought me last Xmas. I want you to bring me a Marine suit this Xmas. You can give the rest of the toys to some little boys and girls that didn't get much last Xmas, so I am not expecting a lot this Xmas.

Yours truly,
Dorsey Earl Teffel

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a little doll and five doll dresses. Also bring me some candy and nuts. Remember Dan and Glenn and bring them lots of nice things. Don't forget my mother and daddy.
Love,
Mary Jo Jones

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy seven years old and am in the second grade. Will you please bring me a lone ranger gun, a car, a barn, some animals, and candy, fruit and nuts. Don't forget my little brother and sisters.

Your friend,
Bobby Preston Wilson

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like for you to bring me and my little brother, Harold, two guns for Xmas. I think you are a nice old man. Don't forget that Xmas will soon be here—the 24th night of December.
Your friend,
Bobby Holland

Dearest Santa,
How are you? I have been a nice little girl this year. Please bring me a P-51 and a pilots uniform, also a baby doll that cries "mamma." Also fruits and nuts and candy and other good things to eat.

Your little friend,
Mary Nell Johnson

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a very little girl but I like pretty things to play with. Bring me a doll and ball.
Love,
Donna Jane Estlack

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little boy 5 years old. I have been a very good boy. I would like for you to bring me 6 story books, a "Lone Ranger" toy pistol and holster set, a black board, a train and candy, fruit and nuts.
Winfred Ronald Perdue

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 9 months old. I am a real good little girl. I would like for you to bring me a fuzzy dog, a doll, a ball and any other pretties you might have for tiny little girls.

Linda Sue Perdue

Dear Santa,
I don't want very much this Xmas. Just a little inexpensive Cadillac convertible with new white side-wall tires, a yacht, a helicopter, a few Varga girls, and if you have about five million old worn out dollar bills, I'll take them too.
I remain impatiently waiting,
Calvin Merchant

Dear Santa Claus,
I want to tell you what I want for Xmas. I want boxing gloves, if you can bring them. I want a gun with a strap on it or a pair of shaps or a wagon. Please don't

forget the boys in service. I am 8 years old. My name is Joaquine but they call me
Jimmie Sullivan

Dear Santa,
I don't want to be greedy; just satisfied. My satisfaction will require the following petty items; a Charles Atlas physique, a doll buggy, (including one of Petti's favorites), a Rolls-Royce V-16 sedan plus chauffeur, a rocket ship, and a cowboy suit. Don't forget my girl! Ssssh, she loves dolls.

Economically yours,
Claude Hearn

Dear Santa,
How are you. I want a bike, some nuts, a doctor kit with pills. If you get that bike, please bring a bicycle basket. I want some new crayons.
With love,
Barnie Benson

NOTICE TO THE PATRONS OF MOREMAN LOCKER SYSTEM

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That much electricity, in turn, will light the lamp for ten hours—long enough to read this newspaper and a couple of novels. Or it will run a small radio for 25 hours, a food mixer for 13 hours, a washer for almost 7.

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The all-around efficiency which gets several times as much white light from black coal has benefited YOU in many ways.

It has made your electric service better and cheaper year by year. It has met tremendous wartime demands for electric power, without delay, shortages or rationing. It has held the price of electricity at an all-time low, while other costs went up.

These results come from the sound business management of the nation's light and power companies—and from the hard work of men and women who know their business—and who are preparing for even greater accomplishments tomorrow.

*Some plants use less than 1 pound; some more, because of differences in coal and equipment. The nation-wide average is 1.3 pounds per kilowatt-hour.

West Texas Utilities Company

**We Wish You All
A Merry, Merry Christmas
And A Happy New Year**

The Donley County State Bank

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Letters to Santa-

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy eight years old. I go to school and am in the second grade. I have been a nice boy this year. I want a BB gun but I don't guess you can give me one of those, so bring me a bow and arrow and anything else you have. I would like to have some candy, nuts and fruit. Thank you very much.

Your friend,
Fred Riley
Estelline, Texas

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a nurse kit and a pair of mittens for Xmas. Don't forget Uncle Eddie and those boys overseas. Please don't forget Mother and daddy or granddaddy and grandmother either. I want a puzzle set too.

Your little friend,
Patsy McCracken

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a bicycle, a model airplane, bow and arrow set and a football.

Yours truly,
Charles Calvin Pierce

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a football and a football suit, also a bow and arrow set for Xmas.

Your friend,
Lavon Pierce

Dear Old Santa Claus,
I am a boy in the 4th grade. I would like a pair of boxing gloves and that is all. Don't forget my mother and daddy. They want something too.

Your friend,
Joe Bob Sullivan

Dear Santa,
I want you to give me a war bond.

Betsy Ann Cole

Dear Santa,
This is my first letter to you. First, I hope you can bring gifts to everyone. Then I want an airport set, an airplane, a gun, a farm set, a train, or crane and fruit and candy.

Thank you,
Isaac Donald Noble

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl six years old in the first grade. I have been a good little girl all year. I would like for you to bring me a pair of gloves, a new cap and some candy, apples and nuts.

Yours truly,
Marjorie Green

Dear Santa,
Will you please bring me a blackboard, football, a doctor kit and some cowboy boots. I have started to school and I am trying to be a good boy.

Lots of love,
Bill Massengale

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a boy only 6 years old. I have blue eyes, blond hair and am about 48 inches tall. I am in the first grade and like my teacher very much. I want you to bring me a wagon, a Tommy gun, boxing gloves, machine gun and a gun and scabbard. I also want some candy, fruits and nuts.

Yours truly,
Bobbie Dewane Durant
P. S. Don't forget my three little sisters who are not old enough to go to school.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a cap, rope and some candy, fruit and nuts.

Thank you,
Junior Montgomery

Dear Santa Claus,
I am ten years old. My name is Sandra Shelton. I live in Clarendon. I would like a quilted house coat. I wish that every boy and girl will have a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year.

Your friend,
Sandra Shelton

Dear Santa,
Christmas will be here soon. I want a doll and a doll blanket.

Audrey Risenhoover

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy nine years old, and I have tried to be a good boy. I think and I like the toys you have brought me, and I liked them very much. And if you don't mind, will you bring me a cowboy suit and a hat and gun. But if you have not this, you may bring something else.

Your friend,
J. L. Paulk

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good little boy. I am 12 years old. I have brown hair and blue eyes. I want a bow and arrow and some oranges, apples, nuts and candy.

Your friend,
Franky Gene

Dear Santa,
I am in the first grade and want you to bring me a helmet, Tommy gun, barn and candy, fruit and nuts.

Your friend,
Claude DeBord

Dear Fuzzy Face,
Let's get down to bare facts. I need a clean nose and you know it, so be liberal with the four-cornered rags. I have been slipping a little lately, so bring me a nice shot of oom-ph tonic and some place to go where I can lose myself. Don't forget my friends -- if you can find any.

Menacingly yours,
You know who

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 8 years old and am in the 3rd grade. Santa, will you please bring me a sweetheart bracelet, doll, candy, fruit and nuts. Don't forget all the other boys and girls.

Your friend,
Mary Jane Cobb

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl in the first grade. I've tried to be a good girl. Santa, will you please bring me a table, chairs and dishes, and some candy, fruit and nuts. Don't forget my brothers and my mother and daddy.

Your friend,
Mary Ruth Myers

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl seven years old and am in the second grade. Santa, will you please bring me a doll with hair, a doll buggy, a sweetheart bracelet, a housecoat, and candy, fruit and nuts.

Your friend,
Lillie Lee Barker

Dear Santa,
I am a little boy seven years old and am in the second grade. Santa, will you please bring me a gun, pistol, tennis ball, and candy, fruit, and nuts. And Santa don't forget the rest of my family, especially my daddy who is in the army.

Your friend,
Jimmie Myers

Dear Santa,
Xmas will soon be here. I am going to be good so you won't forget me. I want a doll and some nuts and candy, please. Don't forget my brother and sister and mother and father, also my friends.

Your friend,
Jerry Fay King



Everyone is happy to have Christmas come. Its spirit has a way of bringing to the surface, for outward expression, the cordial feelings of goodwill which friends and loved ones have for each other every day of the year.

Regardless of what the coming years hold for you and yours, whatever the disappointments may be, we trust you will remember that our thoughts are of our friends and we are seeking the brighter side of things that may result in peace, happiness and contentment for all.

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TO THOSE WHOM WE SERVE



AS THE SHADOWS OF THE OLD YEAR LENGTHEN TOWARD THE TWILIGHT. AND AS WE PREPARE OURSELVES FOR THE PROBLEMS OF THE NEW YEAR, IT GIVES US REASON TO PAUSE FOR A MOMENT OR TWO TO CONSIDER THE PLEASURES THAT HAVE BEEN OURS. WE SINCERELY BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE MANY GENUINE FRIENDSHIPS AMONG THE PEOPLE OF THIS FINE COMMUNITY. FRIENDSHIPS WE VALUE ABOVE ALL THINGS MATERIAL. ASSOCIATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN CEMENTED

BY THE LOYAL THOUGHTFULNESS OF THOSE WHOM WE SERVE. WE ARE INDEED GRATEFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT HAVE BEEN PRESENTED TO US. AND WE ARE CONSCIOUS OF OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO YOU. WE DO NOT HESITATE TO RENEW OUR PLEDGE OF SERVICE AND CO-OPERATION IN WHATEVER CAPACITY WE MAY BE CALLED UPON. A JOYOUS AMERICAN CHRISTMAS IS EXTENDED TO THE CITIZENS OF THIS AREA.

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W. D. KIDD



It is our sincere wish that we may have a part in making your Christmas full of good cheer and fellowship. We want to add something to the happiness of every person in this community.

Perhaps this little message will help you forget the unpleasant incidents and experiences of ordinary days. May brighter days be the compensation for your sacrifices toward making this a better world in which to live. May you find the beauties of life around you and the opportunities for the service it affords.

Wishing You and Yours
A MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a Healthful Happy New Year

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THOMAS M. ROBERTS LEROY BUTLER



Here's the way the comedian explained loss of four states:

"Yep, there are just 44 states left in the union. Oklahoma and Arkansas have moved to California, California has gone to the dogs, and Texas has gone to war!"

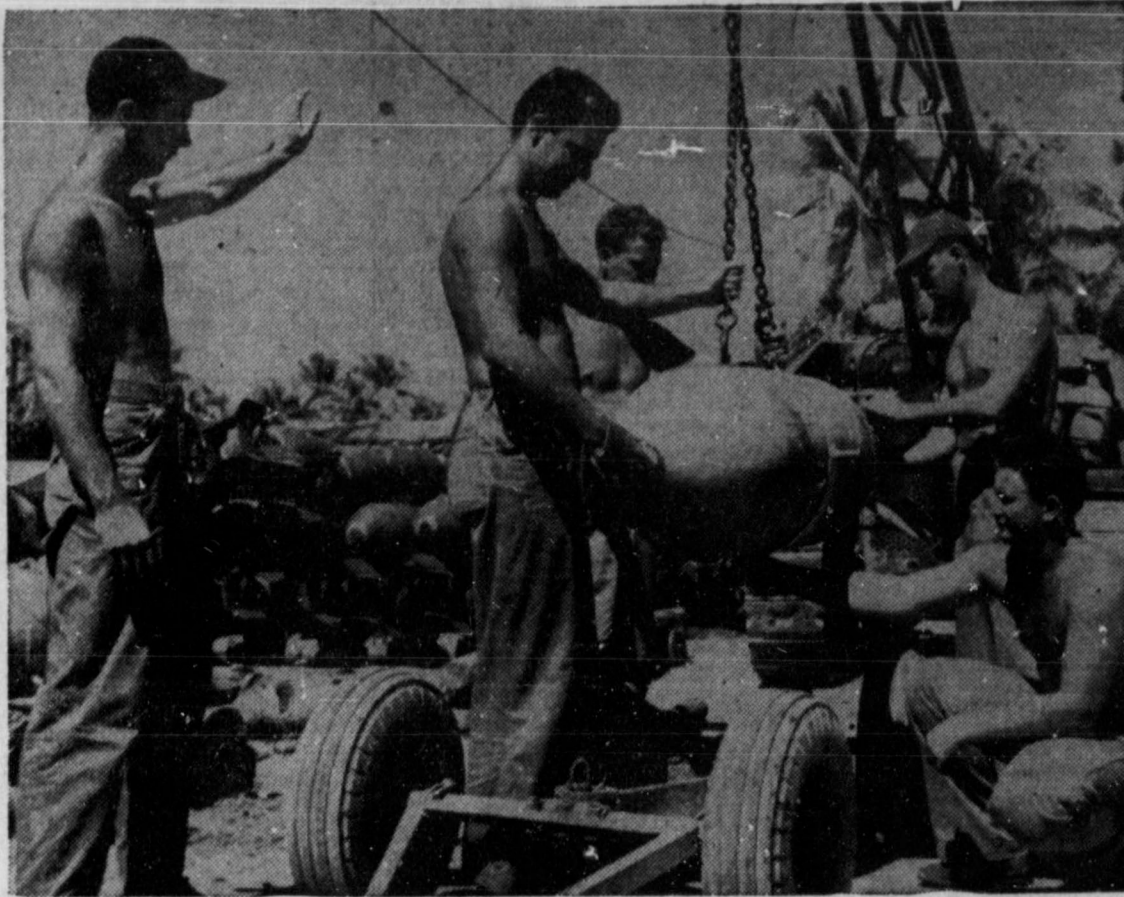
The part about Texas going to war certainly is true, anyway. So many Texans are fighting in China that they threaten to upset China's ideas of geography.

"The Texas boys have been teaching English to the little Chinese children," Captain Erisman explained. "If you stop a Chinese lad and ask him to name the capital of the United States, the odds are ten to one that he'll say 'Austin, Texas!'"

Here's a good Texas story brought back from China by Capt. Bob Erisman of Ennis, who recently returned after fighting the Japs for 13 months with Chinese troops. It was told on a USO-Camp Show tour by Comedian Joe E. Brown.

"When Joe put on his show in China," Captain Erisman explains, "We had lost all track of news from the states. Right off the bat, Joe told us that only 44 states were left in the union. That had us worried, for we wondered what really had happened back home."

Texans are fighting on other fronts, too. Capt. Gerald Montgomery of Littlefield, Texas, exploded three Nazi jet planes last week, but barely escaped with his life from the scrap. So many American planes were in the fight that he almost collided with a



TEXAS MARINE AVIATION ORDNANCE MEN—Somewhere in the Marshalls—Texas Marine aviation ordnance men, attached to a Fourth Marine Air Wing group commanded by Marine Colonel Lawrence Norman are shown at work at this central Pacific base. Bomb dump was built by Marines on soil that was once part of the Jap empire. The thousand pounders will be placed on Marine fighter and dive bomber planes for delivery to Tojo.

Left to right, they are: Staff Sergeant Harold E. Cornelius, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Preston L. Cornelius, Goldthwaite, Texas; Staff Sergeant Charles W. Barker, 20, husband of Mrs. Bettye Barker, 1605 East Marshall Avenue, Longview, Texas; **Corporal Charles L. McQueen, Clarendon, Texas**; Private First Class James W. Huey, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Crabb, Coleman, Texas; and Corporal James G. Johnston, 20, son of Mrs. Lydia B. Johnston, 608 Childress St., San Antonio, Texas.

fellow-flyer in a cloud bank. In the same fight, Capt. Bill Anderson, whose parents live near Calvert, got two jet planes, as did Lt. Carl Payne of San Antonio.

Mrs. Louise Walker Tomkinson of near San Saba has received the Purple Heart medal won by her husband, Lt. Bob Tomkinson. He is recuperating from his wounds in a British hospital.

Pfc. Hilbert Mielke of New Braunfels has won the French Croix de Guerre with gold star for his combat work with a field artillery unit.

And a Flatonia boy, Coast Guardsman Oscar Hull, has finally returned after spending 14 months

aboard an LST in the South Pacific. His job was one of the most dangerous of the war, landing army and Marine units on beaches under fire. Fine going, Hull!

Vernon Rosky of Chriesman, Burleson county, will have an unusual story to tell his grandchildren some day. Rosky was shot down over Germany and spent a long time in a Nazi prison camp. Then the Allies bombed the town, the Germans fled in panic, and Rosky quickly escaped. He made his way to Switzerland, then to France, then Belgium. Cold, hungry and homesick, he hadn't seen a piece of English literature

in months when he ran across a copy of Outdoor Life. The first article he read was an article by Joe Small who now lives in Austin but who was born in Rosky's home town of 120 population. Yes, it's a small world—and these Texans do get around!

Going Too Far
Two soldiers who had been living on dehydrated milk, dehydrated eggs, dehydrated meat for two years got back to this country and were visiting a museum. When they came to a mummy one of them exclaimed, "That's going too far! Now they're dehydrating women!"

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March of Dimes Begins Jan. 14

Forty-three prominent industrial and civic leaders have been appointed as State Chairmen for the March of Dimes and will direct the Fund-Raising Appeal of The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, January 14 - 31, in their states, it was announced today by Basil O'Connor, Foundation President.

Although the infantile paralysis epidemic of 1944, with nearly 19,000 cases already reported, was the second largest in the recorded history of the disease in the United States, the nation was better prepared for the march of the Crippler than ever before, through the generosity of the American people whose dimes and dollars helped to stem the tide of the mysterious poliomyelitis for which there is no known preven-

tive and no cure, Mr. O'Connor pointed out.

Epidemic cases in 1944 included North Carolina, New York, Kentucky, Ohio, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Louisiana, New Jersey, Mississippi, Connecticut and District of Columbia.

EUROPEAN NEEDS REPORTED

The demands on productive resources to keep the world of the United Nations going is pointed out by the urgent pleas for everything from horseshoe nails for Sicily and fishing hooks for Greeks to water-pumping machinery for the Netherlands and raw cotton for the mills of France to be made into tent duck for allied forces. These pleas are being laid before the Central Relief Section for relief and rehabilitation of the combined production and resources board and WPB's combined raw materials board.



WHO SAYS,
"Merry Christmas?"

WE DO!

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS

At this radiant season of Good Cheer when we strive to forget those things which we want to forget, and when good fellowship and kind thoughts are in the minds of all, we sincerely wish you and your dear ones an old-fashion Yuletide, and a New Year abounding with success, good luck, and much happiness.



Sincere Good Wishes

PARKER-PERKINS STORE

THE GLOW of YULE LOGS

Reflects the spirit of Christmas in a manner which best expresses our sincere good wishes to everyone.

In this brief, simple message, we wish to convey our Christmas Greetings, and trust that you will accept them in the true meaning in which they are presented. May the new year hold for you every success and may your every ambition be realized.

Merry Christmas



Clarendon Motor Co.

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CLARENDON, TEXAS

Greetings



Blend together at Christmastime to sound a glorious symphony of glad tidings that present a note of cheer in a world oftentimes torn asunder . . . to peoples burdened with cares. The atmosphere of good fellowship dominates the minds of free nations everywhere.

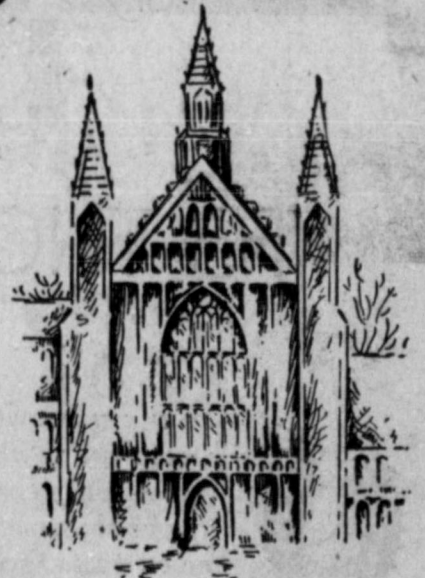
It is our sincere wish that the bells of universal peace will peal forth to bring happiness and contentment to the whole world. May they echo our own sincere good wishes to all those again we have the privilege of calling friends.

The Christmas Spirit

FINDS ITS SHRINE IN

America

Christmas this year in America has been made doubly significant by the glorious sacrifice of the youth of our Nation. Somehow we believe it fitting and appropriate to remember them especially, in our Christmas Greetings. Without their efforts Christmas this year would be empty indeed. Because of their sacrifice and their willingness to serve, an American Christmas is again possible.



Season's Greetings to the youth of America, and to their loved ones and friends. May the coming year bring Peace and contentment for all.

ANNOUNCING - - - -

We have moved our business location to the building across from Norwood Pharmacy and invite you to visit us in our new home.

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